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University of Massachusetts Amherst

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Commencement Weekend 2010

The School of Education's

Graduation Celebration

Campus Center Auditorium **Thursday, May 13** 5 -7 p.m.

Hors d'oeuvres Cash bar

Program begins at 6 p.m.

This is a festive event for our 2009 -10 graduates, Minor in Education graduates,
and their guests.

RSVP to goodnews@educ.umass.edu

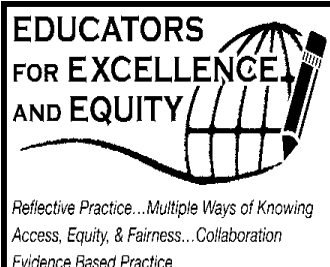
Remember to tell us your name and the number of guests you will bring to the celebration.

For details about the **University Commencement** weekend including schedules for

Graduate Commencement, Friday, May 14,

and **Undergraduate Commencement**, Saturday, May 15, visit:

<http://umass.edu/commencement/2010/>



The Beacon Deadline is FRIDAY

Please submit *Beacon* announcements to: **Room 126 Furcolo Hall** or to
dms@educ.umass.edu

by 5:00 P.M. on **Friday** for inclusion in the following issue.

All assistantship notices will run for two issues;
notices of examinations and formation of dissertation committees will run for one.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

HANWOOK YOO May 11, 2010, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m., Room 151, Hills South.
Chairperson: Dr. Ronald K. Hambleton

Commencement Weekend 2010

NEW THIS YEAR! The School of Education's
Commencement Continental

Saturday, May 15

Light breakfast refreshments in Furcolo Hall lobby from **7:30 to 8:30 a.m.**
for our undergraduate Minors and their guests.

For details about the **University Commencement** weekend, visit: <http://umass.edu/commencement>.

We'll see you in Denver at the AERA Annual Meeting

April 30 – May 4, 2010

and at the UMass Amherst SOE alumni reception

Monday, May 3 7-9 p.m. Hyatt Regency Denver Centennial Ballroom A

Co-sponsored by the

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)

ATTENTION: Doctoral Students & the Comprehensive Examination

Doctoral students who are preparing for their comprehensive examination should be aware of the following:

- Submit the signed D-3 form (Formation of Comprehensive Examination) to Linda Guthrie in 123 Furcolo at least several weeks before you plan to defend your comprehensive exam. (Do not submit the entire comprehensive paper(s).)
- Contact Sally Dumont (sdumont@educ.umass.edu) in Furcolo or Robbie Calliham (calliham@educ.umass.edu) or Sue Overstreet (sue163@educ.umass.edu) in Hills South to reserve a room for the exam after you have confirmed the date and time with your comps committee.
- Submit the completed, signed D-4 **with attachments** (unofficial transcript and brief statement concerning the form and content of the comprehensive exam) to Linda Guthrie **two weeks prior** to the comprehensive exam date.

After your D-4 form is approved and signed by Linda Griffin, Graduate Program Director for the School for Education, Linda Guthrie will forward the information to the Beacon to announce your exam.

Scholarships and Awards

The School of Education is pleased to provide the following opportunities for financial assistance. The deadline for the 2010-2011 Winifred Green Scholarship is April 2, 2010; the deadline for all other 2010-2011 scholarships described on this page is April 23, 2010. Please note that there are **three scholarship application forms**:

- a form for applying for the Grace Norton Carney Scholarship
- a form for applying for the Winifred Green Scholarship
- a general scholarship form for all other scholarships and awards (please be sure to check the scholarships for which you are applying if you are using this form)

For the General Scholarship form, go to: [http://www.umass.edu/education/downloads/general Scholarship Application for 2010-2011.doc](http://www.umass.edu/education/downloads/general%20Scholarship%20Application%20for%202010-2011.doc)

For the Grace Norton Carney Scholarship application form, go to: [http://www.umass.edu/education/downloads/Carney Scholarship application 2010-2011 doc.](http://www.umass.edu/education/downloads/Carney%20Scholarship%20application%202010-2011.doc)

For the Winifred Green Scholarship application form, go to:

[http://umass.edu/education/downloads/scholarship page Green scholarship version 4 final.doc](http://umass.edu/education/downloads/scholarship%20page%20Green%20scholarship%20version%204%20final.doc)

Or go to the scholarship page on the SOE website <http://www.umass.edu/education/student/awards.shtml>

Graduate Students May Apply

Joseph Burroughs Scholarship

Provides scholarship support to a student in a School of Education Teacher Preparation Program, or a Master's Degree student enrolled in a service-oriented program. Students in good academic standing, with demonstrated financial need, and evidence of strong service experience with children or youth are encouraged to apply.

Janice Camby Endowed Scholarship

Provides scholarship support to a student accepted or enrolled in a teacher preparation program in the School of Education. Students must be from economically disadvantaged areas and in good academic standing. Must complete FAFSA.

Camby Scholarship

Provides scholarship support for a student accepted or enrolled in a teacher preparation program in the School of Education. Students must be from an economically disadvantaged area and in good academic standing. ALANA students are encouraged to apply. Must complete FAFSA.

Early Childhood Education Graduate Student Fund

Provides funding for students studying young children and their families with preference given to the study of the needs of the gifted and talented. To provide opportunities for students to enhance their academic experience and become involved in outreach.

Meline Kasparian Scholarship

Provides support to students who are attending or who would like to attend the University of Massachusetts Amherst and who have exhibited a desire to become public school teachers. Applicants must be accepted or currently enrolled in a teacher preparation program.

Joseph W. Keilty Memorial Scholarship

Provides scholarship support to full-time doctoral students. Students with a demonstrated financial need, high academic performance, and exceptional promise are encouraged to apply. Must complete FAFSA.

Patricia Silver Award

Provides scholarship support to incoming or current students in a teacher preparation program with demonstrated financial need. Preference for students with a learning disability or some other special need and/or who are committed to working with children with special needs. Must complete FAFSA.

Helen Eaton Timson Scholarship

Provides scholarship support to a student in the School of Education.

C. Lynn Vendien Endowed Scholarship

Provides scholarship support to graduate students from foreign countries. Preference will be given to students who are affiliated with Physical Education Teacher Education in the Department of Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies.

C. Lynn Vendien Professional Prize Award

This prize will be awarded to a doctoral student who is studying Physical Education Teacher Education in the Department of Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies.

School of Education faculty, students, staff & alumni **share** what they are doing.

Professors Lisa A. Keller and Jennifer Randall have been accepted into the AERA Statistics Institute for Faculty. This initiative of the AERA grants program, which is supported by the National Science Foundation, is intended to help develop a critical mass of U.S. education researchers using large-scale federal data sets, especially those sponsored by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), NSF, and other federal agencies. These data sets, which are often longitudinal and nationally representative, offer an excellent opportunity for students and early career scholars to conduct research and learn advanced quantitative methods with high quality policy relevant data. The program is tailored to faculty members at postsecondary institutions who teach quantitative research methods courses at the graduate level and who seek to integrate the analysis of large-scale federal education data sets into the curriculum.

Keller and Randall will attend the three-day training July 22-24, 2010 in Stanford, CA. Activities will focus on how to incorporate secondary data analysis, especially the use of large-scale federal data sets, into the curriculum of their quantitative research methods courses.

You can read more about our faculty, students, staff and alumni on the
School of Education's website.
www.umass.edu/education

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM OFFICE CURRENT STUDENT TUITION WAIVERS for FALL, 2010

ELIGIBILITY Must be accepted into a full-time degree program

2. **Have a minimum 3.25 GPA.**
3. Must have proof of sufficient funds to meet expenses except tuition (estimated at 28,700 for AY 10/11)

Must have non-immigrant visa status

CURRENT STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT:

1. Formal application form (student can pick up form at the International Programs Office, 467 Hills South) or download from:

http://www.ipos.umass.edu/customtags/ct_FileRetrieve.cfm?

[File_ID=050470734F7B067B027176700E1F00730F011B7C0608006B0772727202730106740E000473717675](http://www.ipos.umass.edu/customtags/ct_FileRetrieve.cfm?File_ID=050470734F7B067B027176700E1F00730F011B7C0608006B0772727202730106740E000473717675)

2. Financial documentation proving student has sufficient funds to cover all academic fees and living expenses other than tuition, estimated at \$ 28,700 for AY 10/11.
3. **Recommendation letter from student's advisor or chairperson.**

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED AS FOLLOWS:

- Educational Policy, Research and Administration: applications to Sue Overstreet, 161 Hills South.
- Student Development & Pupil Personnel Services: applications to Robbie Calliham, 161 Hills South.
- Teacher Education & Curriculum Studies: applications to Malis Loeung, 117 Furcolo.

The Department chairs will rank order all nominations before they are submitted to the Graduate Program Office. Linda Griffin, the Graduate Program Director, will review and nominate applicants based on strength of application.

DEADLINE FOR CURRENT STUDENTS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THEIR DEPARTMENTAL OFFICE IS APRIL 13, 2010

10th International Educational Technology Conference 26-28 April 2010

Albert Long Hall, Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey www.iet-c.net

CALL FOR PAPERS

Proposal Submission: 10 April 2010 (new); Full paper submission: 10 April 2010 (new);

Early Registration: 05 April 2010 (new); Late Registration: After 05 April 2010 (new);

Registration Rates: Early registration: 150 Euro; Late Registration: 175 Euro

Objectives

The convergence of recent technologies, web and mobile technologies, provides unique opportunities and an infrastructure for both face to face and online learning environments. However, specific environments for constructing knowledge are needed. In such environments, knowledge media should bring together the technology and learning theories to form meaningful settings for learners with different academic, administrative and support needs. IETC2010 aims to provide an environment for experts to discuss the current state of the art for learning in schools, industry and universities. Virtual environments, CSCL, m-learning, e-training and e-learning will be topics of particular interest.

IETC2010 conference is supported by many universities and organizations, and it is venued by Bogazici University where the academic culture has long been a tradition. Further, the SSCI Indexed scholarly Journal TOJET sponsors the event through publishing selected papers. As it is the tenth annual event, IETC2010 has already formed a large, multi-national and friendly community of colleagues who love to share ideas. IETC2010 invites you to submit proposals for papers, panels, best practices, roundtables, tutorials, posters/demonstrations, and workshops.

Contact isman@sakarya.edu.tr akpinar@boun.edu.tr

IMPORTANT: REVISED MAY, 2010 DEGREE DEADLINES

The Graduate School has changed its graduation deadlines. Listed below are the revised deadline dates to apply for a May, 2010 degree for Master's, CAGS and Doctoral students who will complete their degree requirements during the Spring, 2010 semester.

M.Ed. and C.A.G.S. Candidates

The Degree Eligibility form and School of Education Master's Forms M-2 or CAGS form C-2 must be completed and returned to Linda Guthrie in the Graduate Program Office, 123 Furcolo, **no later than APRIL 8, 2010**. This is to allow time for processing and obtaining the necessary signatures of Linda Griffin, the Graduate Program Director and Dean Christine McCormick (Department Head). **The Eligibility form must be submitted to Linda Guthrie with the Master's Form M-2 or CAGS Form C-2**. **Your advisor must sign the School of Ed form, but NOT the Eligibility form.** Forms can be downloaded from : http://www.umass.edu/education/academics/advising_guidelines.shtml

Ed.D. and Ph.D. Candidates:

The Doctoral Degree Eligibility form, the D-9 form (Result of Final Oral Examination) and 2 copies of the Signature pages (on acid free paper) must be submitted to Linda Guthrie in Room 123 Furcolo **no later than APRIL 8, 2010**. The Eligibility form (2 pages) can be downloaded from:

<http://www.umass.edu/gradschool/files/Doctoral%20Degree%20Eligibility%20Form.pdf>

Linda will submit these forms to the Degree Requirements Office after they are signed by Linda Griffin and Dean Christine McCormick.

The dissertation must be submitted electronically, and fees and other required materials must be submitted to the Office of Degree Requirements (Room 534 Goodell) **by 5:00 p.m., APRIL 15, 2010**.

THIS IS A FIRM DEADLINE!