HESA/SPA friends,

Summer session allows us to proudly discuss what our students have accomplished, pause and reflect on the past year, work on our scholarly contributions, and excitedly plan for welcoming a new cohort of graduate students arriving in Autumn. While summer is supposed to be a more relaxed time of year, OSU has been experiencing a flurry of activity. By this time you’ve probably heard about the return of President Gordon Gee. (Columbus retailers have reported that bow tie sales have been flourishing since this announcement.) We’ve celebrated our one-year anniversary as a merged College of Education and Human Ecology, and the School of Educational Policy and Leadership’s new Director started full-time work in July. Based on feedback from last year, we decided to hold the SPA supervisor meeting in the summer (rather than Fall when training is in full swing). The program’s relationship with Student Affairs has remained overwhelmingly positive under Rich Hollingsworth’s leadership as we collectively seek ways to improve students’ experience. A lot of changes, yes; but change, if designed well, can be a very good thing.

One of Dr. Kimball’s first tasks was to appoint Section Chairs and formally outline their programmatic responsibilities. Dr. Ada Demb has agreed to serve in this position for our section, so I asked her to share a few announcements. Here is what she had to say…

With all the changes at the university, it seems appropriate to take a moment to give you an update about HESA and our interaction with the new director, Dr. Bruce Kimball. Conversations about a number of matters are underway and I want to highlight one of them. One of his top priorities has been to create more logic to the structure of the School of Educational Policy & Leadership, logic consistent with content and program directions. As a result, HESA and Educational Administration are embarking on a 3-year, “trial” separation as sections. Both program areas have new initiatives under consideration and this seems the most effective way to allow us to make decisions in our specialized areas, while still continuing to collaborate with master’s coursework and the Ph.D. core courses.

He has defined section head appointments for 3-year terms, and allocated some modest resources for us. Dr. Helen Marks will serve as section head for Educational Administration, and I have agreed to serve as section head for HESA. In our case, my appointment is for one year for a very exciting reason: Dr. Kimball’s intent is to seek approval to recruit an additional faculty member for HESA with expertise in higher education policy, at the rank of Full Professor and section head with responsibility for helping us establish a solid research base.

Let me say that working with Dr. Kimball is a pleasure. He demonstrates a strong interest in our program, and a willingness to absorb the detailed information that allows him to appreciate the many dimensions of HESA. -Dr. Ada Demb

Like I said, it’s been an exciting summer and we’re looking forward to seeing what is ahead for HESA and SPA. Alumni and friends who were (and still are) a part of our program are always welcome to become part of its developing future—please let us know how you would like to become involved, even if it’s only to send us updates on your latest activities to include in the next newsletter. We are grateful for your innovative ideas, your support, and your continuing interactions with our strong community of scholars.

Enjoy the remaining days of summer, and best wishes for a productive and enjoyable new academic year!

Best,

Michele M. Welkener, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Higher Education and Student Affairs
Coordinator, Student Personnel Assistantship Program
M.A. Class of 2007
Where are they now?

Phil Badaszewski
Ohio State University
Hall Director

Vanidy Bailey
California State - Northridge
Hall Director

Jess Bennet
Vassar College
House Advisor

Katie Beres
St. Louis University
Academic Advisor

Robyn Bowers
Ohio State University
Undergraduate Admissions Counselor

Amanda (Fojtik) Bowsher
Ohio State University
Academic Advisor

Adam Burden
Ohio State University
Coordinator of Student Involvement

Mary Kate (Meincke) Castor
Vista Community Church of Dublin, OH
Volunteer Coordinator & Special Event Planner

William Chen
San Diego State University
Hall Director

Tracie Davis
North Carolina State University
Academic Advisor

Kimberly Knowles DeRoche
University of San Francisco
Retention and Matriculation Advisor

Kristen Fischer
Boston University
Assistant Director of Graduate Programs

Beth Halpern
Muhlenberg College
Director of Community Service and Civic Engagement

Blair Hedges
Duke University
Student Leadership Director

Armada Henderson
Ohio State University
Tutoring Program Coordinator

A.J. Lapan
Loyola Marymount University - Los Angeles
Resident Director

Kristin Layous
Fresno State University
Career Counselor

Collette Masterson
Ohio State University
Fiscal Coordinator (Ohio Union & Student Activities)

Brian McGowen
Rutgers - New Brunswick
Hall Director

Meredith Mickaliger
Loyola Marymount University - Los Angeles
Resident Director

Jennifer Moning
Thomas Moore College (Crestview Hills, KY)
Admissions Counselor

Justin Moses
Ohio State University
Assistant Director of Judicial Affairs

John Prescott
Ohio State University
International Student Advisor

Kelli Raker
Salem State College
Resident Director

Candice Reeder
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
Community Director

Ginny Rowe
DePaul University
Academic Advisor

Julie Schultz
Ohio State University
First Year Experience Counselor

Kelly Schoellman
University of Maine
Community Coordinator

Amber Waters
California Polytechnical Institute
Coordinator of Student Development in Housing

Paul Young
Ohio State University
Hall Director

Marcus Williams
Shell Oil Company
Human Resources Officer
Chris Anderson, Gina Kozlowski, and Alexis Olson, 1st year MAs, will be presenting at GLA-CUHO’s annual conference in November 2007.

Adrian H. Huerta, incoming MA, recently completed a NASPA Undergraduate Fellows internship at University of Southern California’s orientation program this summer.

Jennifer Klosterman-Lando, 2nd year PhD, will present a session entitled, "Pre-Orientation: Using Technology to Bridge the Gap between Admittance and Orientation" at the 31st Annual National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Conference, October 18-21, in Baltimore, MD.

Shalun Lewis, 1st year MA, received a scholarship from the Midwest Association of Colleges and Employers to attend the 2007 annual conference in Indianapolis.

Sean McKinniss, 1st year MA, is serving on Ohio Governor Ted Strickland’s Campus Security Task Force and was also elected to the University Senate for our college; if people have concerns or ideas they would like to pass along, please contact Sean at mckinniss.14@osu.edu

Larry Mrozek, 4th year PhD, starts this fall as an Assistant Professor at Wright State University.

Dwayne Todd, 7th year PhD, recently began his term on ACPA’s new Governing Board as the Member-At-Large for Mid-Level Professionals.

MA Hooding Ceremony

For MA Class of 2007
June 9, 2007

Some of the faculty for the HESA Program. L-R: Drs. Tammy Maltzan, Rich Hollingsworth, Tatianna Suspitsyna, Michele Welkener, Len Baird

The MA Class of 2007 posing for a group photo
Danielle Anderson, MA '04, now Danielle Whitaker, was married in November 06 and now works at Central Ohio Technical College as an academic advisor and admissions counselor for their Pataskala Campus. She bought a house in the Reynoldsburg area and is officially back in Columbus after 3 years in Athens, OH.

Sherif Barsoum, MA '94, recently changed jobs; her new position is Director of International Students and Scholars Services at Vanderbilt University, starting on Aug. 1, 2007.

Matt Couch, MA '99, is serving as Sr. Assistant Director of the Ohio Union and Director of Student Affairs Orientation at Ohio State. Matt and his wife Jennifer have two sons, Alex (age 4) and Ben (age 1).

Daniel Doremus, MA '03 accepted a new job as a PeopleSoft Higher Education Consultant with Oracle after completing his MBA at OSU in 2006.

Josh Eisenberg, M.A. '99, lives in Chicago, IL. In August he will celebrate his 2nd anniversary as a stay-at-home-dad for his 2 1/2 year old son, Andrew. On the side, he is a tour guide in the Second City, where he does boat, bus, walking, and other various history tours of the city. He celebrated his 5th anniversary with wife Audrey in July.

Jill (Chaskes) Foster, M.A. '97, is now a parent of two: her son Elijah was born on June 1st. His older sister, Michaela, just turned 3.

Bill Fox, MA '00, moved from the Associate Director of Residence Life position at Georgetown University to the Assistant Dean of Students/Director of Housing & Residential Life position at Denison University in Granville, Ohio this summer. Bill & Kirsten (Lancaster program alum) celebrated their 5th wedding anniversary in July.

Kirsten (Bergquist) Gabriel, MA '04, presented Engaging Students through Service and Work on July 18, 2007 at the National Conference on Volunteering and Service at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia.

Michelle Garcia, MA '05, accepted a position with Pearson Prentice Hall Publishing as a Sales Representative in November 2006. If anyone is looking to get published, please contact her, michelle_garcia@prenhall.com. They are always looking for new authors!

Leonard Goldberg, MA '66, PhD '69, and Penny (Port) Goldberg, MA '66, met via the SPA Program in 1964 and were married in the summer of 1966. They have two grown sons and one granddaughter who is 7 years old. Len retired July 1, '06 and Penny retired in January '07. Penny served the past twenty years as Project Director for Land America, one of the large title insurance companies in the U.S. Len’s studies and experiences at OSU prepared him well for a 37 year career in higher education. Most recently, he served as the vice president for student development at the University of Richmond. He retired after almost twenty years in that position. Prior to that, he served as the CSAO at three additional universities: Roger Williams (RI); University of Maine (Presque Isle); and Dickinson College (PA). In case "old" friends decide to write, they can be reached at lgoldber@richmond.edu.

Rachael Hovis, MA '03 and Geoff Stark, MA '03, are engaged and plan to be married in York, PA in June of 2008. Geoff is going to law school at Rutgers in Camden, NJ this fall and Rachael will remain in her position as Assistant Director of Residence Life at York College of PA.

John Karras, PhD '90, previous mentor to Jennifer Celaya –Davis, MA '99, wanted to pass along this news clip about her and her work at CSU Los Angeles:
http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/ppa/newsrel/distwomen2007.htm

Rebecca J. Lane MA '06, recently accepted a position as the Coordinator for New Diversity Initiatives for the Multicultural Center at Ohio State University.

Ian Lee, MA '02, continues to work for BGSU's Student Support Services program. He attributes a paper Ada Demb had him write about "A Curriculum for the Poor" for helping him to think about some of the issues he faces in his position. He would also like to thank Jones Tower for his international connections related to his second trip to the Dominican Republic to visit friends earlier this summer. He also thanks OSU Mansfield – his first employer out of graduate school – for the Spanish Education. He is contemplating taking the LSAT and GRE and seriously thinking about additional education.
Jamie Lodermeier-Fay, MA '01, would like to announce the birth of her second son, Andrew James, born July 11th, 2007.

Megan McGough, MA '06, recently got engaged. Her fiance is Charlie Stevens, a PhD student in the Fisher College of Business at OSU.

Laurie Neff, MA '84, is transitioning from her position as the Randolph-Macon College Dean of Students, in Ashland, Virginia, to her new appointment as Dean of Students at Denison University, in Granville, Ohio in June 2007.

Kim Orndorff, MA '05 and Paul Paik were married on May 11, 2007 in Mason, Ohio.

Kelley (Walters) Osmanbhoy, MA '00, would like to announce the birth of her second daughter, Sofia, on June 27. She weighed 6 lbs. 2 ounces and measured 19 3/4 inches.

Margaret Sallee, MA '04, passed her qualifying exam and advanced to candidacy in her Ph.D. program in Urban Education at the University of Southern California. She is now working on her dissertation, which focuses on the socialization of male doctoral students.

Michael Scales, MA '95, formerly the Director of University Housing and Residential Life at Temple University, has been promoted to Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs.

Tom Scheuermann, MA '79, recently presented at the ACUHO-I conference in July entitled “Legal Issues 2007: Analysis and Current Topics for Student Housing Professionals.” He also published an article with Dr. Tom Ellett, a colleague from NYU; they are both serving on a research team with a three-year grant from ACUHO-I to study recruitment and retention of entry-level housing staff. (See the project website for details: http://www.housing.ufl.edu/Retain_Recruit/index.htm) Article information:


He continues in his work at Oregon State University where he serves as the Director of University Housing and Dining Services and Assistant Professor in the College of Education. In his former role as assistant and then associate editor (1989-1993) of Synthesis: Law and Policy in Higher Education, published by College Administration Publications, he had the good fortune to interview Dr. Gordon Gee during his first term as Ohio State President (that interview was published in a 1991-92 issue). He lives in Salem, Oregon with his wife Cesie and two children, Luke (13) and Rachel (9), along with their chocolate lab "Buddy."

Tom Sloane, PhD '79, continues to work in Student Affairs as Senior Associate Dean of Students at West Virginia University. He is currently recruiting for his institution in Asia and traveling to college fairs and doing school visits in Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, and the Middle East.

Scott F. Smith, PhD '02, recently accepted a new position at Saint Louis University. Starting August 3rd, he is the Assistant Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students.

Brent Turner, MA '05, is now the Director of Student Activities at Kenyon College.

Elizabeth (Eichenlaub) Vaughan, MA '02, and her husband, Dan, welcomed their first child, Ethan Tyler, to the world on May 28th. He weighed 9 lbs 3 oz and was 21 inches long. Despite the sleep deprivation they are enjoying being parents to their beautiful baby boy! They also purchased a house in Aspinwall, PA and renovated it over the course of several months. She would love to catch up with fellow classmates and can be reached at elizabetheev@yahoo.com
Congratulations to the First-Year MA Students completing ACUHO-I and NODA Summer Internships:

Tim Valentine is doing a NODA Internship in New York City at Teachers College, Columbia University. He is working within the Offices of Student Activities & Programs and Residential Services from June through September.

Joy Walker is doing an ACUHO-I Internship in Newark, NJ at Rutgers University. She is working on RA training and development within the Office of Housing & Residence Life from June through September.

Congratulations to our students who participated in the Study Abroad Program at Lancaster University, England this Summer:

Lexie Beer - 1st year MA student  
Seth Fishman - 1st year PhD student  
Katy Higbee - 1st year MA student  
Renee Kopczewski - 4th year PhD student  
Ama Koram - 1st year MA student  
Michelle Lee - 1st year MA student  
Marissa Lin - 1st year MA student  
Holly Meyer - 1st year MA student  
Jen Nelson - 1st year MA student  
Mary Butler Stone - 1st year MA student  
Brian Wagner - 1st year MA student

For more information on the Lancaster program: 
http://hespa.org.ohio-state.edu/lancaster.html