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SCE Spotlight

This edition of the School of Continuing Education e-newsletter features Karen Medina, 1997 graduate of the BGS program and philanthropist who shares her thoughts on why she chooses to give to the EIU BGS program.

"I give to the BGS program because to me it is exciting to support a program that has helped me to reach my educational goals. It's also a positive step forward in assisting other students in the BGS program."

The BGS program helped Karen to reach her educational goals and she hopes to do the same for others by supporting the program and giving to EIU.

We thank Karen for her generosity. If you are interested in becoming a philanthropist, please contact Christi Donsbach, Director of Philanthropy at 217-581-3313 or cddonsbach@eiu.edu.

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Every Panther Can Leave a Legacy!

Do you want to make a lasting difference for generations to come? EIU is helping transform Illinois, the country, and the world by preparing students for rewarding careers in business, education, health care, non-profit and the arts; finding cures for diseases; and providing countless hours of service to our

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community. Your options for giving are almost as abundant as your reasons for giving. To explore the multiple ways to Leave a Legacy, please visit our [Gift Planning Webpage](#) for more information.

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Welcome Dr. Carrie Johnson! New BGS Director



The Bachelor of Arts in General Studies Degree Program welcomes Dr. Carrie Johnson as the new BGS Director. Dr. Johnson joined the office on August 1. Dr. Johnson is an EIU graduate for both her bachelor's and master's degrees and came to EIU from National Louis University. She has been in higher education for more than 30 years. Dr. Johnson looks forward to working with BGS students. Welcome Dr. Johnson!

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Welcome Pamela Swerdon! New BGS Secretary



To register for Academy events, e-mail all@eiu.edu or call 217-581-5114 217-581-5114 .

Academy of Lifetime Learning

Workshop: **Café Society**

Thursday, September 1

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Jackson Avenue Coffee, 708 Jackson Avenue, Charleston

Presented by Phil Nevius

Cost: \$20 for Academy members; \$40 for nonmembers

Academy of Lifetime Learning

Workshop: **Research & Aging:**

Young Adults' Perceptions of Older Adults

Tuesday, September 6

6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

EIU Blair Hall, Room 2165

Presented by Dr. Caridad Brito

Cost: Free

Academy of Lifetime Learning

Workshop: **Academy Book Club Discussion Group**

Wednesdays, September 7, October 5 and November 2

11 a.m. to noon

EIU Blair Hall, Room 2116

Presented by Pam Ortega

Cost: \$60 for Academy members; \$120 for nonmembers

Academy of Lifetime Learning

Workshop: **Talk with Senator Dale Righter**

September 8, 2011

10 a.m.

EIU Martin Luther King, Jr. University Union, Mattoon/Charleston Room (Third Floor, East Wing)

Presented by Senator Dale Righter

Cost: Free

For further information or to register for Academy programs, call 581-5114. The full Academy of Lifetime



The Bachelor of Arts in General Studies Degree Program welcomes Pam Swerdon to their staff. Pam joined the staff on May 31 as the office manager. She looks forward to working with students and helping them pursue their dream of a college education. Welcome Pam!

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School of Continuing Education Staff Scholarship

Are you a nontraditional student looking for financial help? The School of Continuing Education Staff has established an SCE Staff Scholarship for a full- or part-time nontraditional student enrolled in a continuing education program at EIU. This award will be selected this fall; please watch our website for further details!

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Learning Program Guide can also be found at http://www.eiu.edu/adulted/all_fa11.pdf

Upcoming Conferences

Articulation Conference, September 19-20, 2011

[History Teachers Conference](#), October 13, 2011

[Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics](#), October 20-22, 2011

Literature Conference, October 27-28, 2011

Master's in Counseling Informational Session on September 15 in Champaign

Interested in earning a Master's in Counseling while staying close to home? EIU Department of Counseling and Student Development is hoping to bring a Master of Science in Counseling degree to the Champaign-Urbana area beginning in spring 2012. The program will result in certification as a School Counselor or licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC).

Join us for an Informational Session on Thursday, September 15 at 7 p.m. at Parkland College, Room D105 to learn more about the program. For more information, contact Dr. Rick Roberts at 217-581-2400 or rlroberts@eiu.edu.

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