

Welcome Back!

CCI Updates!

ICT Update! - The new undergraduate ICT major which began in fall 2010 is up and running. Information, Communication and Technology (ICT) have become critical components of modern society. Many companies view ICT as the core building blocks for growth and success. As a student of the ICT program, you will acquire a set of unique skills sought after by the information technology and communications industries. Communication companies are looking for employees that not only have exceptional writing, creativity, and presentation skills but also who possess a strong background in emerging technology, web design, and digital media. The IT field has developed a larger emphasis on communication through social media; their ideal candidates are those who have technical writing skills and understand effective communication styles and techniques.

5 year program Update! - The School of Communication introduced its "Combined Bachelor's / Master's Degree Program in Communication" in the fall. The program is open to students majoring in Advertising, Media & Communication Studies, Media Production, Public Relations, ICT or Information Technology. The combined program in communication enables advanced students to complete bachelor's and master's degrees at an accelerated

pace. Students who are admitted into the program will be allowed to count up to 12 credit hours of graduate coursework toward both their undergraduate and graduate degrees. They can earn graduate credit in either the Integrated Marketing Communication or the Media and Communication Studies degree programs.

New Space The Johnston Building is under renovation and will open in the fall of 2011. The CCI space in the building will house six (6) faculty offices, one large group office (possibly for GA's or a new center), an AV lab, a production studio, a large server room, a networking/security computer lab that holds 48 students, and a health informatics lab.

CCI honors alumni at 2010 Convocation and Awards Ceremony

A campus-wide power outage kicked off the 2010 Annual Convocation and Award Ceremony on Nov. 6. The following alumni were recognized for their accomplishments:

School of Communication: Bill Mills, Jr. and Eloise Mills

School of Communication Science & Disorders: Bill Williams

School of Library & Information Studies: Warrick Dunn

During his acceptance speech, Warrick Dunn announced that his foundation would be collaborating with SLIS to provide selected single-parent families with libraries through his Home for the Holidays program.

Dr. Laura Justice, director of the Preschool Language and Research Lab at Ohio State University, honored the SCSD and its researchers as a powerhouse within its field before delivering the keynote speech, "The Wonder of Words." The inspiring and



Warrick Dunn, Eloise Mills, Bill Mills, Jr., Dean Larry Dennis, Carole Jo Hardiman, and Bill Williams

entertaining presentation described how the three schools comprising the College can combine their strengths to benefit our society by bringing literacy and economic opportunity to "at risk" children.

Students from the CCI American Library Association (ALA) Student Chapter staffed the CCI tent at the All College Homecoming Tailgate weekend. SLIS students, Beth Riggs, Sara Pierce, Karen Doster and Jeff Saunders met with CCI alumni, answered questions and shared information about the college.



Karen Doster, Beth Riggs, Glitter Guys



Beth Riggs, Super Nole, Sara Pierce, Super Nole 2, Karen Doster

CCI launches its first Student Leadership Council

This past Fall, faculty from each of the college's schools nominated students to serve on a new college-wide organization, the CCI Student Leadership Council. Undergraduate, master's, doctoral and distance learning students were selected from each college to represent the CCI student body. Acting as the ambassadors of the college and providing a direct link to the student body, members work directly with Dean Larry Dennis to provide a student perspective in the decision and implementation of the goals and initiatives of each school.

In addition to sharing information with fellow students about activities within each school, council members will also create and oversee beneficial programming for students in an attempt to improve opportunities for personal and professional growth. To learn more about the organization and how you can participate in upcoming programs, contact Betsy Crawford at betsy.crawford@cci.fsu.edu.



The next meeting is scheduled for January 14th. The group is planning a "speaker series" for the Spring Semester.

Members of the 2010-2011 CCI Student Leadership Council

School of Communication

Undergraduates: Heather Barron Jon Fistel, SGA Representative Madison McDonley Lauren Muntz, Chair

Master's: Adam Clement

Doctoral: Nicole Cox, Vice-Chair School of Library & Information Studies

Undergraduates: Courtney Kallemeres Kirk Yoder

Master's: Rienne Saludo Chris Obrion

Doctoral: Melinda Whetstone, Treasurer School of Communication Science & Disorders

Undergraduates: Anna Husfelt Jamie Payne, Secretary

Doctoral: Derek Headley



Barry Sapolsky

Dr. Sapolsky's death ends a lifetime of service

Dr. Barry S. Sapolsky, 61, James E. Kirk Professor of Communication at The Florida State University, passed away on Nov. 28, 2010, after a long and hard fought battle with chronic lymphocytic leukemia A memorial service was held at Temple Israel on Mahan Drive on Sunday, Dec. 5, at 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Sapolsky began his career at Florida State University's Department of Communication in 1977, after earning his bachelor's degree at Bucknell University in 1971 and his Ph.D. at Indiana University in 1977. At Indiana, Barry studied and published with renowned media effects scholar Dolff Zilmann. Barry quickly made his mark in the scholarly world and with his colleagues at FSU. His research examined how such controversial media issues as violence, coarse language and sexuality affected different audiences. His work in these areas now functions as scholarly touchstones to a new generation of media scholars.

He also served in every major capacity at the department level, including five years as department chair — a testament to the admiration and respect with which he was held by his colleagues. Later in his academic career, Dr. Sapolsky directed the Communication Research Center, an important campus and community resource for his students and colleagues. In 2004, he was honored with the Kirk endowed professorship, a distinction that marked both his scholarly achievement and his unwavering commitment to the life of the department, college and university. An endowed FSU scholarship will be established to honor his dedication to mentoring students and helping them begin their careers.



CCI is hosting an educational power luncheon

The College of Communication & Information will be partnering with the United Way of Florida to host the "Empowering Effective Teachers (EET)" power lunch on January 5th at the FSU Turnbull Conference Center. The event runs from 11am—2pm with lunch provided. The event is open to everyone concerned with the future of our children, including parents, students, educators, board members, policy makers and community/faith-based advocates.

The lunch series is coordinated by CCI Leadership Board member, Victoria Vangalis-Zepp. She has previously been honored as one of the *Tallahassee Democrat's* "Top Women You Need to Know." She was also named by the Girl Scout Council of the Florida Panhandle for her many community endeavors as one of their 2010 Woman of Distinction in Business, Finance and Insurance .

United Way of Florida, long known for guiding civil dialogue to build strong community alliances, is hosting a series of meetings across the state to help unite education stakeholders in support of Empowering Effective Teachers. The results will be synthesized into United Way of Florida's Empowering Effective Teachers Summit on February 1, 2011. Why A Power Lunch? UWOF Power Lunches bring citizens together with "like and opposing" views to focus on the common goal of supporting Effective Teachers (EET) and students.

Registration is free, but REQUIRED. Register online at UWOF.org at least 14 days prior to the event. More details can be found at UWOF's online EET Wiki Community at uwof.org.

Vangalis-Zepp is president of Zepp Strategic Partners, a government and business consulting firm in Tallahassee. Her expertise in telecommunications, marketing communications, communication disorders, and government affairs help her bring unique and valuable insights to the CCI Leadership Board.



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Looking for a JOB?

Account Manager

Seeking an experienced account manager to lead strategic communications planning and execution for clients with educational missions. Full-time salaried position with benefits. The successful candidate will be based from New Orleans. Some travel required.

Florida Independent Politics Reporter

The reporter will closely cover statewide politics and key issues of the day with a focus on the legislature, the governor's office, the state Supreme Court, regulatory agencies and Florida's congressional delegation.

University of Houston-Science Librarian

The successful candidate will be responsible for user education, collection development, reference and research support, and liaison services to assigned academic departments (Applied Sciences).

Curator, Baldwin Library of Historical Children's Literature

The George A. Smathers Libraries seeks a creative, innovative, service-oriented individual to develop and manage all aspects of its Baldwin Library of Historical Children's Literature.

Access Control Technician

The Access Control Technician is responsible for processing client security requests on a variety of systems, applications, and databases using a variety of software packages.

Software Developer – Entry Level

This position is working on team of 45 IT employees to develop three separate applications for web based software that connects to an Oracle database.

Educational Program Administrator

Assume overall responsibility for managing the Office of Healthy Schools website. Participate in the planning of workshops, meetings; Participate in management and operations delivering services statewide.

Online and Mobile Device Technology Developer

Developers will design and develop a digital journaling system using online and mobile technologies as an integral part of K12 science education. The goal of the project is to encourage students to become active participants in the scientific inquiry process by collecting and analyzing data about wildlife and natural habitats before, during, and after visits to the Tallahassee Museum.

Web Develop

Design and develop web applications for Walt Disney Parks & Resorts Online.

ESPN Creative Director

Oversees the development all design projects, reviews their conceptual and stylistic direction. Takes a strategic role in the design process and creates the department's vision. Works with clients, pitches designs and understands client needs.

IT Clarity Analyst

The IT Clarity Analyst is responsible for the maintenance and data quality of the systems used to track resource and project information for the IT Department. Additional duties include providing customer service to the project and resource managers, monitoring financial controls, and assisting with

planning.

IT Specialist (Part-Time, 6 month)

The purpose of this position is to assist current IT Staff in updating and upgrading hardware and software at DTC. We will be replacing nearly all hardware onsite that is in excess of 4 years old, and updating all existing computers to Windows 7. Microsoft Office will be updated from 2003 to 2010.

Systems Analyst

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: 1) Analysis of the software systems/processes available to Environmental Health, 2) Assess the fit (gap analysis) to the business functional requirements for the Division, and 3) Make recommendations for the proposed solution.

Computer Systems Analyst

This full-time position will work as an integral member of an agile team performing functional testing, integration testing, regression testing, and performance testing.

Web Developer

This position will work with guidance from senior developers and software architects to develop and maintain web-based products and services using a range of technologies. The position also works with our Marketing group to develop and maintain our client-facing web content from concept to final implementation.

Database Administrator

This is supervisory work overseeing scientific and/or technical work in the design, configuration, maintenance, security, backup and recovery of City-wide databases for the City's computer systems. Work includes staff assignments, prioritization, coordination, development, construction or generation, maintenance and tuning of database environments on a Citywide basis.

Outreach Communication Coordinator

University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB), Health Sciences and Human Services Library, seeks an experienced, energetic librarian who ensures an organized approach to the SE/A outreach services and communications by coordinating and facilitating outreach and promotional activities. This librarian coordinates and facilitates SE/A exhibit program, regional outreach projects and subcontracts targeting health professionals, library advocacy, and consultation and training to health professionals and their associations.

Librarian

The primary duties of the Head of Cataloging are original and copy cataloging in all formats and supervising four

paraprofessionals. The paraprofessionals are responsible for copy cataloging, ILL, and physically processing materials for the entire System.

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Looking for an INTERNSHIP?

AWIS Interns:

Marketing, Publications, Advocacy, Grant Writing

AWIS interns are a vital part of the national office operations. AWIS interns are invaluable to the organization, and AWIS strives to make the interns' experiences with AWIS equally valuable to their own career and leadership development.

Ringling Museum of Art Summer Internship Program

Provides insight into museum careers through practical work experience not available in most academic settings. Interns participate in daily operations of a specific department and participate in activities that provide a "behind the scenes" view of the Museum. Positions for 2011 are in the Art Library, Asian Art, Education, Modern and Contemporary Art, Public Relations, Registration, and Technical Production.

ERP Internship

Candidate will be responsible for: Researching, analyzing and supporting the issues within the PeopleSoft OMNI system; Responsible for reviewing business requirements needed for new design; Technical development work based on these requirements.; Development and maintenance of operational reports, programs.

NSF Internship

Candidates should be interested in learning more about how scientists work and how social scientists conduct research to determine how scientists work. Interns will work closely with the researchers to conduct and analyze observations and interviews with teams in action at the Mag Lab.

Torchlight Program

The Torchlight Program at the College of Motion Picture Arts was created to educate students in current and emerging motion picture business practices with a focus on marketing, financing, and distribution strategies that have proven to be effective in releasing feature films. Through strategic relationships with industry professionals, the Torchlight Program facilitates unique internship opportunities that provide students with hands-on experience at motion picture production and distribution companies.

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Seminole Boosters Internship

Seminole Boosters provides the opportunity to work with some of FSU's greatest supporters of athletics focusing on: marketing and communications, graphic design, event planning, customer service, general office organization, and business practices. Positions are well suited for students in Sports Management, Event Planning, Communications and Business but are open to any student who is interested.

Film Internship

Bucks Boys Productions, is currently looking for one person to become an assistant to one of the partners, Jonathan Becker. This person will work closely with him and learn how to budget projects, pitch concepts, take creative calls, create call sheets, pre-production books and wrap projects.

NOAA Summer Internship

The NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office offers several summer internship opportunities in fisheries sampling/management, field research, restoration, **communications**, outreach and education. Field-based experiences offer a unique opportunity to contribute to large-scale, long-term ecological research critical to understanding Bay habitats and living resources.

D.C. Summer Internship

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Research Library and National Transportation Library (NTL), both located in the Washington, D.C. area, are seeking students pursuing MLS degrees (or equivalents) for paid, full-time internships for the period June 6 – August 12, 2011. Focus are: Cataloging, Proecessing Archival Collections, Digital Social Media/ Reference

Multimedia Intern

We are looking for an intern to **help** us for a few months in working on our training system material (slides) to make them more effective and better flow by adding necessary effects, improve slide design, interactive training, etc. This is expected to lead to making better delivery media through internet such as webinar and interactive training.

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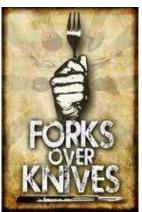
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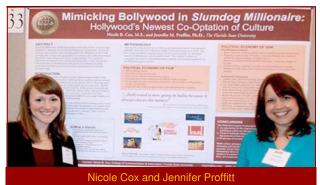
Alumnus' movie asks: Is your FOOD killing you?

COMM alumnus, John Corry, recently hosted an advanced screening of his latest documentary at FSU's Student Life Theatre on November 4th. The film examines the claim that most, if not all, degenerative diseases can be controlled or reversed by rejecting the menu of animal-based and processed foods.

The film provides factual evidence that animals may not be the only answer. Support for the facts come from medical professionals, a natural doctor, scientists, and is supported by clinical studies. John has produced over 200 documentary programs including "The Wild Yak Patrol" for Animal Planet and "The Long March" for History International. More information about this film can be found at http://www.forksoverknives.com. The movie opens nationally on March 11, 2011.



Research poster gets Proffitt and Cox a first place at AEJMC



Assistant professor Jennifer M. Proffitt and doctoral student Nicole Cox of the School of Communication won first place in the Cultural and Critical Studies Division poster competition during the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication's (AEJMC) 94th annual conference, August 4–7, in Denver, Colorado.

Their research, "Mimicking Bollywood in *Slumdog Millionaire*: A Political Economic Analysis," examined Hollywood's involvement in a film mimicking the Bollywood film genre to better understand the global factors driving today's film industry.

V89 Radio's "Vox Populi" earns international honors again

WVFS (V89), The Florida State University's campus radio station, was honored for its "Vox Populi" news show for the second consecutive year by the 2010 New York Festivals International Radio Programs & Promotions Awards. This was the second year "Vox Populi" was recognized. In 2009, it won a bronze world medal in the "Magazine Format" category.

"WVFS is tremendously proud to be recognized for our efforts and to be honored on an international level alongside so many reputable commercial and satellite radio entities," said Michelle "Misha" Laurents, general manager of V89 and an associate in communication in the School of Communication.

"We are especially proud of the V89 News Department and the 'Vox Populi' team, who continue to produce top-quality work worthy of such awards," Laurents added.

Chantal-Marie Wright, the station's news director, also voiced pride in the staff and its work.. "This encourages us to work even harder and try to improve ourselves continually," she said. Established in 1982, the New York Festivals Radio Programming and Promotions Awards competition honors the most innovative work in radio broadcasting, with entries from radio stations and networks to independent producers from around the globe. Judging criteria included production values, program organization, presentation of information, creativity and use of the medium. The 2010 Grand Jury listened to hundreds of submissions produced by individuals from around the world.



Last year, in addition to the "Vox Populi" bronze medal, V89 also won a bronze world medal in the "Best Music Program" category for "Sonic Safari" and a finalist certificate in the "Best Comedy/Humor Personality — Local Market" category for "Hearty White's Miracle Nutrition Hour."

Maria Correa receives a prestigious 2010 AWNY Scholarship



Maria Correa, a senior, double majoring in advertising and management, has been awarded the 2010-2011 Advertising Women of New York Scholarship. She is a member of Arrowhead Advertising, The Florida State University's student advertising team. Last year, as a junior, she was a significant contributor to the research and promotions section of the campaign, which placed seventh in national competition. This year, she has been selected to be the captain of the team.



A native of Brazil who moved to the United States during her

junior year of high school, Maria maintains a 3.9 GPA. "Her academic accomplishments are only part of the story", said Barry Solomon, the Ad Team's faculty advisor. "She has a desire to see the world. She speaks four languages fluently (English, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese) and has lived in Italy, England, Brazil and the United States," he said. "This summer, she put that desire to work by searching for and securing an internship with TBWA, an international advertising agency located in Johannesburg, South Africa." Described by peers and instructors as "determined and motivated," Maria combined two goals in seeking her internship: working for a top international agency and attending at least one World Cup soccer match. She succeeded on both counts.

"I've always been interested in advertising and did everything I could to have the greatest learning experience possible," she said. "I've had multiple internships in advertising agencies and also a market research firm." Maria is also an active member of the advertising club on campus and is the club's liaison with the Greater Tallahassee Advertising Federation, the local chapter of the American Advertising Federation. In that capacity she is responsible for recruiting volunteers to participate in GTAF fundraising events, communicating information from the GTAF to the ad club, such as scholarship deadlines and keeping the GTAF aware of the ad club's projects.

For more than 10 years, the AWNY Foundation has contributed \$340,000 to charities and scholarships. In 2012, AWNY will celebrate "100 years of helping women to advance and excel" in advertising and related industries. The \$2,750 award can be used for any education-related expenses.

Two Class of 2011 advertising students are honored by AAF



Arielle Calderon



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Two students from the School of Communication, Arielle Calderon and Maria Correa, have been selected by the American Advertising Federation as members of AAF's Most Promising Minority Students Class of 2011.

To be selected, students must have stellar academic records, outstanding extra curricular achievement, career-related experience, and demonstrate superior promise for a successful career in advertising. They will be honored with a trip to New York in February 2011, where they will attend a luncheon with executives from top advertising agencies and Fortune 100 companies. Their names will also appear in an ad in Advertising Age and USA Today.

"This is another testament to the outstanding students that we have in our school, and it again show how competitive Florida State's advertising program is nationally" - Barry Solomon.



Delta Zeta sorority dishes up 'Hamburgers for Hearing'

The women of Delta Zeta sorority invited the community to Hamburgers for Hearing, a fundraiser for the L.L. Schendel Speech and Hearing Clinic operated by FSU's School of Communication Science & Disorders. The event was held at the Delta Zeta House, 749 W. Jefferson St., from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 24. The evening included food, music and entertainment. Meals included burgers, hot dogs along with chips, drinks and dessert. Delta Zeta's national philanthropic partnerships focus on



speech- and hearing-related causes, and the FSU chapter last year created a \$25,000 endowment to benefit the Schendel Clinic. The sorority pledged to contribute \$5,000 a year for five years, and the money supports clinical training for students and community outreach for children and adults in the Big Bend region with various types of communication delays and disorders.

SCSD doctoral student is chasing his research interests



Derek Headley is a new doctoral student who has worked as a bilingual speech-language pathologist in a number of different locales, including Washington, D.C., Virginia, California and Florida. For the past three years, he was the Senior Speech-Language Pathologist at the Health-South Sunrise Rehabilitation Hospital in South Florida. He earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Pittsburgh and his master's degree at West Virginia University, then moved to Martinsburg, WV., where he completed his clinical fellowship year at a sub-acute rehab facility that specialized in adult neurogenic communication and swallowing disorders. Headley came to the SCSD because of his research interests in the areas of dysphagia (swallowing disorders) and motor speech. He plans to work with his major professor, Dr. Julie Stierwalt, in investigating aspects of human tongue function and swallowing. He also is interested in improving treatment protocols for various motor speech disorders.

Support the L.L. Schendel Clinic in April at its Walk2Talk event!

The second annual Walk2Talk event is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2011, at 9:00 for runners and 10:00 for those participating in the walk. Students, faculty, community supporters, clients, and their families are encouraged to come out to support the L.L. Schendel Speech-Language Hearing Clinic. The event will start at the trail head of the beautiful Tallahassee-St. Mark's Trail, located on SR 363 just south of campus on Monroe. The run is a 5K race, with prizes distributed by age category. The walk begins after the race completion, with turn-around points marked off along the trail. Refreshments will be provided by community sponsors, including Bruegger's and Tasty Pastry. Event t-shirts are available in advance for \$10 or in limited quantities on-site for \$15. Those interested in participating can register in advance for \$12 at the Regional Rehabilitation Center, or by calling 850-644-2238. On-site registration will be \$15. Individuals interested in volunteering for the event can contact Carla Jackson at cjackson3@fsu.edu.



SCSD doctoral student receives research travel award from ASHA



AMERICAN SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING ASSOCIATION Laura Gingrich, a doctoral student in the School of Communication Science and Disorders, was recently awarded a 2010 Student Research Travel Award by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). ASHA offered the student research travel awards for the 2010 ASHA Convention, held in late November in Philadelphia, to highlight the research activities of "budding" scientists and encourage careers in science and research. Students who applied for the award were required to be a first author on a paper at the convention, secure a mentor to "shadow" throughout the convention, and attend selected research-related sessions during the convention. Recipients were chosen based on the qualitative and quantitative recommendations of convention co-chairs and topic coordinators. Laura was one of only 15 students chosen nationally for this honor.

SCSD doctoral student receives award for excellence

Lakeisha Cooper, a doctoral candidate in the School of Communication Science and Disorders, was recently awarded the Glenn-Howell Distinguished Minority Educator of the Year award at Ruediger Elementary here in Leon County. Lakeisha has worked as a part-time speech-language pathologist at Ruediger since the 2008-2009 school year. She was nominated by her peers and will go on to compete against others educators at the district level.

The Glen-Howell award is named for two former Leon County School employees, Devum Glenn and Aquilina Howell, who made history as the first minority Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Assistant Superintendent of Instruction. The purpose of the award is to recognize minority leadership in education within the county and to encourage minority educators to become more active in the educational status of minority students. Lakeisha is currently working with Dr. Shurita Thomas-Tate. Her research interests include language and literacy issues that impact at-risk students and the importance of dialect shifting within the educational setting.





SCSD welcomes new LENA technology

Every Word Counts Language sampling is essential to the study of child language development and disorders. The ability to gather a sample of children's language use and critically

analyze the sample, requires knowledge and skill competencies important to multiple disciplines including speechlanguage pathology, special education, psychology, family and child sciences, child development, and education. To better prepare FSU scholars for tomorrow's clinical and research practices, the School of Communication Science & Disorders (CSD) requested a technology grant to purchase ten Language Environment Analysis Systems (LENA). This new technology, the LENA, is a language monitoring and feedback system that will enrich students' learning experiences.

Undergraduate and graduate students majoring in CSD will receive instruction and guided practice in using the cutting edge LENA technology for language sampling and analyses. The establishment of a LENA lab will provide student scholars with opportunities to use cuttingedge technology for language sampling and analyzes. Access to the LENA technology will impact approximately 240 students per year including undergraduate, masters, and doctoral students. Developing skills in language sample collection and analysis is an essential aspect of students' experiences given that language samples are used to examine markers of maturity in the disciplines of speech-language pathology, education, psychology, family and child services, and special education.



Students screen hearing at the Special Olympics

This past November, the students from the FSU School of Communication Science and Disorders attended Special Olympics Florida's 2010 Fall Games at Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports. Six Florida State University graduate students and one undergraduate student accompanied Dr. Selena Snowden, a faculty member in the School, to the event where they were joined by delegates from NOVA Southeastern University, The University of Florida

Florida, and The University of South Florida. This group of nearly 40 Speech Language

Pathology graduate students and Doctor of Audiology students performed "Healthy Hearing" screenings for over 200 Special Olympic Athletes. This event, as well as the annual Summer Games, is a biannual opportunity for these volunteers to gain invaluable clinical experience while providing a much needed service to an under-served population. 2010 was the sixth consecutive year that the FSU School of Communications Science and Disorders participated in this rewarding activity. FSU was the first program to get involved with Special Olympics Florida Healthy Athletes for hearing screenings and was the catalyst in getting other Universities involved.



SLIS alumna Nicole Stroud continues on success streak

SLIS alumna Nicole Stroud (MLIS, 2010) was **one of 35** "**early career**" **librarians** selected from a pool of over 100 applicants to serve as a field recruiter in the American Library Association (ALA) Office for Diversity's *Discovering Librarianship Program*.

This is not the first time that Nicole has experienced success; she recently **won the 2009 Palm Beach County Library Association scholarship**. The annual \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student enrolled in the graduate study in librarianship at an ALA accredited school of library or information science. Nicole won the scholarship for her 700 word formal essay discussing "How Libraries Can Prepare for Changing Economic Conditions." Nicole was also successful while a student at FSU. She was chosen for the American Library Association (ALA) 2010 Emerging Leader program. At the January 2010 ALA Midwinter Meeting in Boston, Nicole was one of about 100 library staff from across the country that participated in project planning workgroups; networking with peers; gaining an inside look into ALA structure; and having an opportunity to serve the profession in a leadership capacity early in their careers.

Under the *Discovering Librarianship Program*, librarians are enlisted from previously successful diversity recruitment programs to develop recruitment materials and serve as ambassadors for the profession. *Discovering Librarianship* is an opportunity for early career librarians to develop new presentation, advocacy, outreach, and leadership skills for their own career progression.

As a field recruiter, Stroud will:

- attend the 2011 ALA Midwinter Meeting in San Diego, CA;
- participate in a series of online trainings;
- participate in at least two local, regional, or national career or education events approved by the ALA Office for Diversity;
- attend the 2013 ALA Midwinter Meeting in Seattle, WA.



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SLIS students selected for iConference 2011 Colloquium

SLIS doctoral students Junga Lee and Melissa Johnston have been chosen to present research posters in Seattle this coming February at the iConference 2011 Doctoral Student Colloquium. In a highly competitive review process, their posters were 2 of 20 research proposals selected from a field of 89. A grant from the National Science Foundation provides participants in the colloquium with a travel award up to \$1,020.

The iConference takes place February 8–11, 2011, in Seattle, WA; the Doctoral Student Colloquium will be a culminating day-long event on February 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SLIS alumnus gets quoted in USA Today library article

SLIS alumnus Sol Hirsch (MLIS, 1972) was quoted in a recent **USA Today** article, "Libraries Welcome Homeless to Community 'living rooms'." Hirsch is the director of Alachua County Library District and was honored as the School's 2008 Distinguished Alumnus. The USA Today article discusses how libraries are working to increase their services for homeless patrons. Hirsch said that "the Alachua County Library District hosts Monday movies — sometimes with popcorn — for the homeless, keeps a book collection at a shelter and opened a social-service center at a branch." The full article, by USA Today writer Judy Keen is currently available at: http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2010-12-13-libraries13_ST_N.htm





Jeff Budnick

IT students teaching Tallahassee seniors

Last summer, SLIS IT students from the Leadership class started teaching technology classes at the Tallahassee Senior Center as part of their class project. A team, led by IT senior Jeff Budnick, began teaching summer classes on Keyboarding, Microsoft Word, and Facebook.

This fall, Jeff continued the project and began working with a new team of students. The IT students taught the next group of seniors about Using Email, Navigating the Internet, Understanding your Computer, and Facebook. One of the things the team discovered was that not all seniors had the same technical expertise. To meet this challenge, Jeff's team continued the group training sessions and started conducting **one-on-one lessons** (focusing on virus protection, hardware tweaking, PowerPoint, etc.). The team this Fall included: Jeff Budnick, David Elwell, Andrew Riley, Naaman Butler, and Andrew Carmichael.

The team coordinate their efforts with Ashley Solberger, the Assistant Program Coordinator at the Senior Center. Ashley has received many positive comments from the seniors. She said that the "Senior Center participants have loved having the young instructors teach them about the new trends with computers. IT students have also conducted one-on-one computer sessions to help Senior Center Participants with more individual needs. It has been a great partnership between FSU and the Senior Center." The project will resume in the SUMMER of 2011—please contact Ebe Randeree (eranderee@cci.fsu.edu) if you are interested in participating.

CCI students running 'Tech Clubs' at Nims and Hawks Rise

Students in the STARS Leadership program have been working with R. Frank Nims Middle School on Orange Avenue for the past three years. They have conducted robotics camps, presented monthly tech topic lectures, and assisted with the Digital Harmony program. With the assistance of SLIS alumna Jennifer Mock (School Media Specialist at Nims) and Prof. Randeree, the STARS group has begun a new commitment to the school.

This fall, STARS students helped lauch the "TECH CLUB" at NIMS for students interested in IT. The club currently has fifteen committed members and each Wednesday, STARS students visit NIMS from 5-6pm to teach classes in web design, robotics, hardware, software, networking, information seeking, and cyber security. This new commitment to Nims will continue into the summer of 2011.

STARS students @ Nims include: Courtney Kallemeres, Leanne Galletta, Krystal Bowden and Raquel Safra

In a related project this fall, STARS students helped lauch the "TECH CLUB for GIFTED STUDENTS" at Hawks Rise Elementary School. The club currently has thirty students. STARS students visit Hawks Rise each Wednesday from 2-3pm and follow a similar syllabus to the one used at Nims. The commitment to Hawks Rise will continue into the summer of 2011.



STARS students @ Hawks Rise include: Kirk Yoder, Courtney Kallemeres, and Raquel Safra

STARS could use your help! There are 24 elementary school tech clubs being launched through an initiative with Leon County Schools. Seven more schools have contacted STARS about conducting programs with four schools interested in running robotics camps in 2011. Please contact Ebe Randeree (eranderee@cci.fsu.edu) if you are interested in participating.

Two SLIS alumni win Carnegie/NY Times Award

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On Dec. 8, 2010, two SLIS graduates were recognized among ten winners of the 2010 "I Love My Librarian" Awards. Alumni Paul Clark and Jeff Dowdy were chosen from more than 2,000 nominations throughout the nation. The award, administered by the American Library Association and sponsored by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and The New York Times, encourages library users to recognize the

accomplishments of exceptional public, school, college, community college, or university librarians.

Clark, known as "The Library Guy" in the Florida library community, works for the Clay County Library System in Fleming Island, Florida. He used his vacation time to lobby in Tallahassee for state aid for Florida libraries. Dowdy, who is employed at the Bainbridge College Library in Bainbridge, Georgia, was nominated as a result of his high level of customer service and technological innovation with limited resources. Each winner received \$5,000 and was honored at an award ceremony in New York City on Dec. 8.







Jeff Dowdy

Doc student Koo wins an FSU Dissertation Research Grant

Doctoral student "Joy" Joung Hwa Koo of the School of Library & Information Studies has been awarded a 2010-2011 Dissertation Research Grant from the Graduate School of The Florida State University. She was selected by a committee of representatives from FSU schools and colleges that offer doctoral degrees.

The grants are funded by the FSU Congress of Graduate Students, the Office of the Provost, and the Office of Research. They provide students with reimbursement for expenses incurred while completing dissertation research up to the amount of \$750. The title of Koo's dissertation is "Adolescents' Information Behavior when Isolated from Peer Groups: Lessons from New Immigrants Adolescents' Everyday Life Information Seeking."

Recent alumna Sharla Lair selected as an Emerging Leader

Recent School of Library & Information Studies alumna, Sharla Lair (MSLIS, '10), has been selected by the American Library Association for their 2011 Class of Emerging Leaders. The program enables a group of approximately 100 library workers from throughout the U.S. to get on the fast track to ALA and professional leadership. Participants are given the opportunity to work on a variety of projects, network with peers and get an inside look into the ALA structure and activities. As part of the program, Sharla will attend both the ALA 2011 Midwinter Meeting in San Diego as well as the 2011 Annual Conference in New Orleans.

SLIS doctoral student wins ALISE leadership award

SLIS doctoral student Lauren Mandel has won the 2011 Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE)/Norman Horrocks Leadership Award. This award recognizes a new ALISE member who has demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities in professional ALISE activities. ALISE is a non-profit organization that serves university faculty of graduate programs in Library and Information Science in North America.

The ALISE/Norman Horrocks Leadership Award was established in 2009. The initial recipient was former SLIS doctoral student, Linda Most, now an assistant professor at Valdosta State University. At the 2011 ALISE Annual Conference, Jan. 4–7 in San Diego, Ms. Mandel will be presented with a certificate and a check for \$500.



Lauren Mandel

FSU STARS students win three national conference awards



Leanne Galletta, Raquel Safra, Courtney Kallemeres, Denzann Ellis, Courtney Duran, Albertina Webster, and Krystal Bowden

At the beginning of the fall semester, STARS students attended the five-day STARS 2010 National Celebration as members of the Florida State University chapter of the STARS (Students and Technology in Academia, Research, and Service) Alliance. STARS is a service-learning group charged with addressing the shortage of computer scientists and information technologists in the southeastern United States. The organization is made up of 21 southeastern universities and colleges and funded by the National Science Foundation's Broadening Participation in Computing grant. The FSU STARS received awards in previous years as well:

- At the 2006 Celebration (Atlanta, GA) -FSU STARS won 1 of 3 awards given
- At the 2007 Celebration (Charlotte, NC) FSU STARS won 2 of 4 awards given
- At the 2008 Celebration (Auburn, AL) FSU STARS won 2 of 6 awards given
- At the 2009 Celebration (Tallahassee, FL) FSU STARS won 1 of 4 awards given
- At the 2010 Celebration (Orlando, FL) FSU STARS won 3 of 8 awards given

The STARS Alliance seeks to retain current student in the computer science and information technology (CS/IT) fields while increasing enrollment of traditionally underrepresented student populations — such as women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities. The award-winning poster presentations of FSU STARS student projects exemplified this goal:

• The first-place FSU STARS project poster in the category of *community outreach*, "Walk This Way," described the "Pathways Project." The project provides students in our community with a visual guide of local solutions and resources that can assist them in achieving an IT/computing career.

• In the category of *service learning*, the first-place winning FSU STARS project poster, "Feed Your Brain," described the work of SLIS students in creating a series of events to engage and retain information technology students by featuring industry speakers, students, and faculty.

• "Robots Rule the World," the FSU STARS' second-place project poster in the *service learning* category, described a summer "robotics camp" that SLIS students created for sixth and seventh graders at R. Frank Nims Middle School. The goals of the project were to change the way Nims students thought about robots, math, science, and IT, and to prepare them for the launch of a school technology club in the fall. In order to engage the interest of "at risk" students in this traditionally "low performing school," FSU STARS members developed a program of slides and coursework, planned exercises with a Lego Mindstorm kit, and built robots and obstacle kits.

STARS students also presented projects at the conference:

- Courtney Kallemeres presented "IT Leadership 101"
- Courtney Duran and Albertina Webster presented "WISE Women—Exploring Mentorship"

The *STARS Celebration 2010* was hosted by the University of South Florida Polytechnic . Over 300 faculty members, students, members of industry and government, and community and partnering organizations from throughout the southeast U.S. attended. They worked on planning and evaluating the progress of current projects and exchanged ideas and information. The event also provided opportunities for training and dialogue on topics such as leadership, web development, and community outreach. Workshops addressed the STARS Alliance's other major initiatives: pair programming, mentoring, culturally situated design tools, and assistive technology.

Contact: Ebe Randeree (eranderee@cci.fsu.edu) to find out more information

Welcome Graduating

Students!

CCI chapter of Association of IT Professionals hosts IT graduates

<u>AITP</u> held its semester celebration on Friday, December 10th, in the Goldstein Library. Students, parents and faculty attended the event which was designed to honor the twenty five students who graduated this Fall. Dean Larry Dennis' opening of the program was followed by award presentations. AITP members were first honored with CORDS (AITP members who earn a 3.5 or higher GPA in the major are eligible). There were eight eligible students.

In addition, students who excelled in the Perspectives Course were honored. Students and faculty voted on the best **Interactive Resumes**, and the winner in each category was:

Best in Information Architecture: Best in Marketing: Best in Innovativeness: Courtney Kallemeres (Runner up: Arthur Cooper) Courtney Kallemeres (Runner up: Ryan Huff) Courtney Kallemeres

Dean Dennis also presented two awards for the interactive resume that best demonstrated the goals and philosophy of the Florida State University Information Technology Program to the following people: Courtney Kallemeres and Thomas Turner.

Finally, graduating students were honored for their **individual achievements** and contributions:

- AITP Service Award: Joshua McDougall (for his work in support of the 50 Large program)
- AITP Service Award: Thomas Turner (for his work in support of the Practicum Class projects)
- AITP Security Award: Cin Khai, Daniel Ko, Joel Murphy, Michael Hillard, and Kyle Soper - The group competed in the security class with others teams to create a video that illustrates computer security. Winners were selected by peers in the class as well as IT security professionals. The video will be submitted to a national competition in the Spring. Their winning video, "The Man in the Middle", can be found on YouTube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KoVbNZ6BAWc

SLIS doctoral candidate Kyungwon Koh wins ASIST travel award

Kyungwon Koh, doctoral candidate and teaching assistant at the School of Library and Information Studies, won the American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T) 2010 Special Interest Group, Information Needs Seeking and Use (SIG USE) Ph.D. Student Travel Award.

The purpose of the award is to assist a student in a doctoral program in attending the ASIS&T annual conference by defraying travel costs. Koh used the award to travel to the ASIS&T 2010 Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, PA, Oct. 22-27. Candidates for the award, who are doctoral students in the SIG USE, are required to write a statement addressing an issue relating to the current year's conference theme in relation to information behavior re-

search (how people need, seek, manage, give, and use information in different contexts). This current year's conference theme "Navigating Streams in an Information Ecosystem," refers to the increasingly wide-ranging and expansive nature of the field. The award consists of a check for \$500.





Dean Larry Dennis





SLIS alumni show up in books and on television

School of Library & Information Studies alumna Sara Duff (MSLIS, 2009) was recently interviewed by Panama City, Florida, local NBC news affiliate WJHG for a story about Banned Book Week. Sara has been a collections librarian at Gulf Coast Community College since December, 2009. View the video: <u>http://www.wjhg.com/home/headlines/104148764.html</u>



Alice Platt, an alumna of the School of Library and Information Studies (MSLIS, 2009), has contributed a chapter to the recently published *Digitization in the Real World, Lessons learned from small and medium-sized digitization projects*. The new book is the first to present case study examples of small and medium-sized digitization projects, with information developed by practitioners for practitioners.



Alice's chapter, "Developing an Institutional Repository at Southern New Hampshire University: Year One," describes the university's first year of efforts to create a digital repository using open source software after the project was funded by an Institute of Museum and Library Services grant.

SLIS alumna Totolo wins the ASIST International Paper Contest

SLIS alumna Dr. Angelina Totolo (Ph.D. 2007) won first place in the 2010 International Paper Contest of the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST). As the first place winner, she was invited to participate in the ASIST 2010 Annual Meeting held Oct. 22–27 in Pittsburgh.

"I am over the moon with excitement" said Totolo. She is a faculty member at the Department of Library and Information Studies at the University of Botswana. Her dissertation is titled <u>Information Technology Adoption by</u> <u>Principals in Botswana Secondary Schools</u>. In addition to providing her with complimentary registration, ASIST will provide Totolo with a stipend to help cover the cost of an airline ticket, hotel, and other expenses of attending the conference.



SLIS distance student wins two scholarship awards

Ivey Glendon is a distance student in the School of Library & Information Studies master's program who works as a digital conversion specialist in the <u>Serial and Government Publications</u> <u>Division of the Library of Congress</u>. And this year, she is also the winner of two significant scholarships.

In the early spring, Ivey received the <u>2010 Fritz Schwartz Serials Education Scholarship</u> from the North American Serial Interest Group (NASIG). The scholarship, which includes a \$3,000 scholarship and a travel grant for the NASIG annual conference, enabled Ivey to go to Palm Springs, Ca., in June and meet with other serials professionals and library and information studies (LIS) students.

In May, Ivey received the <u>Ruth Fine Memorial Student Award</u> from the <u>District of Columbia</u> <u>Library Association (DCLA)</u>. The award is a \$6,000 interest-free loan, which is forgivable upon maintaining a 3.0 GPA. It is designed to assist LIS students who live or work in Washington, DC.

"I am already able to implement many of the lessons learned in the program into my work," said Ivey. Ivey, who lives in Arlington, Va., and works in Washington, DC, is specializing in Leadership and Management in her second year of SLIS' online Master's Program in Library and Information Studies.

"I can't think of a better way to work full-time and simultaneously pursue a graduate degree," Ivey said. "I am really enjoying it and I am already able to implement many of the lessons learned in the program into my work." With a goal of pursuing a career in marketing library services, particularly focusing on digital libraries and collections, Ivey has been impressed by the diversity of viewpoints and experiences on the part of both faculty and students in the program. "Many of my fellow students have strong backgrounds in public and academic libraries and their contributions to me have been invaluable as I try to learn as much as I can about libraries that are different than my own."

STARS Alliance Students Provide Leadership Training to TSA



Eight SLIS students spent three days in November in Orlando where they conducted leadership training sessions for 300 middle and high school leaders of the Technology Student Association (TSA).

Assistant Dean Ebe Randeree coordinated the TSA partnership. "This is part of the ongoing effort to build community partnerships and engage students at all levels." he said. Randeree also explained that "there are



150,000 TSA members in the United States with 18,000 in the State of Florida. 75% of the TSA members are collegebound. FSU STARS has been a partner with Florida TSA for the past two years." The SLIS students are members of the STARS Alliance organization (starsalliance.fsu.edu) and have completed the IT Leadership course. They led three days of training sessions in the following areas:

- Mentoring: what is mentoring, how to mentor, the roles of mentors and mentees, techniques to build mentorship
- Leadership: what is leadership, what defines leadership, leadership traits and successes
- College prep: How to get ready for college, what to expect
- Team-building: techniques for effective teams, how to lead teams, how to encourage group cohesion

"It's all part of the continuum of engagement that we build through STARS; we work with senior citizens, college students, high school and middle schoolers, even elementary schools to help them access technology," said senior Courtney Kallemeres. The other FSU students at the event were Eli Perl, Louis Garofalo, Jeff Budnick, Brandon Perkins, Raquel Safra, Krystal Bowden, Pascal Wagner, and Karen Kayir.



Pascal Wagner (red shirt—center)

Jeff Budnick & Eli Perl

Brandon Perkins (blue shirt - left)



Raquel Safra & Krystal Bowden

Courtney Kallemeres & Karen Kayir

Louis Garofalo

SLIS alumnus Willie Jackson joins The Domino Project



SLIS alumni Willie Jackson has always had an entrepreneurial spirit. While at FSU, he was selected from a pool of 23,000 applicants to attend the Monster Diversity Leadership Program, which is designed to help students develop career skills and network with top companies. He says, "It was an absolutely incredible experience I will not soon forget." He was the co-founder and president of the FSU chapter of the Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP), a national IT organization. Willie interned with Convergys Corporation in Jacksonville, working on three separate projects—Human Resources Direct, Employee Care IT, and Global Diversity. "I have been fortunate enough to see several sides of the business and to experience first-hand the organization's culture."

Willie has also served as the student representative for STARS Alliance: A Southeastern Partnership for Diverse Participation in Computing, an 23-university consortium with funding from the National Science Foundation. As part of his IT practicum course, he and his classmates assembled 35 desktop computers for the Governor's Reading Literacy Program, delivering them to a South Florida organization in dire need. After graduation, Willie had plans to change the world-through Information Technology (IT). He said, "I want to leverage the power of information, technology, and relationships." After graduating in the Spring of 2007, he was employed as a technology consultant with Accenture. Even though the position was a gateway to success, Willie felt something was missing. He began to freelance on the side with his own business. As Willie put it, his "side hustle" is a huge part of his brand and outlook on making the transition to self-employment. In April 2010, Willie transitioned to full-time self-employment providing WordPress consulting, branding,

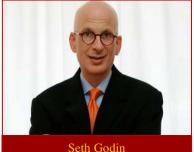
marketing, and strategy services. Building on his IT training within the SLIS program, Willie established himself as an expert in building personal websites.

Willie credits Pam Slim as being instrumental in his transition. Pamela Slim is a seasoned coach and writer who helps frustrated employees in corporate jobs break out and start their own business. Her blog, Escape from Cubicle Nation, is one of the top career and marketing blogs on the web. She profiled Willie in one of her interviews (http://www.escapefromcubiclenation.com/2010/09/23/the-side-hustle-and-flow-interview-series-willie-jackson/).

That was then — now Willie is off on a new adventure. 2011 bring a new challenge to his life. He is off to New York City to work with Seth Godin and five other accomplices who seek to revolutionize the publishing industry via The Domino Project. As Willie put it, "There's a surreal quality to it all; I fully expect for this to be a transformative experience. The interview process itself was non-traditional and a lot of fun. I'm not sure how much I can share publicly

about it, so I'll err on the side of caution and just let you know that I didn't have to make up any ridiculous answers about where I see myself in five years."

The Domino Project is named after the domino effect—one powerful idea spreads down the line, pushing from person to person. The Project represents a fundamental shift in the way books (and digital media based on books) have always been published. Eventually consisting of a small cadre of stellar authors, this is a publishing house organized around a new distribution channel, one that was not even a fantasy when most publishers began. They are reinventing what it means to be a publisher. and along the way, spreading ideas that they are proud to spread.



For those of you unfamiliar with Seth Godin, in terms of influence and relevance, he is to marketing what Oprah is to television. He is a bestselling author, speaker, and agent of change. Seth has written twelve books that have been translated into more than thirty languages. Every one has been a bestseller. He writes about the post-industrial revolution, the way ideas spread, marketing, guitting, leadership and most of all, changing everything. American Way Magazine calls him, "America's Greatest Marketer," and his blog is perhaps the most popular in the world written by a single individual. His latest book, Linchpin, hit the Amazon top 10 on the first day it was published and became a New York Times bestseller.

50 Large program for 'at risk' young graduates its first SLIS class

The 50 Large program is a joint partnership between Leon County Schools, the FSU IT program, and Larry Thompson, head of 50 Large. Through the efforts of Melissa Raulston, the program was first introduced as part of the IT Practicum course. This Fall, the program was moved to the Shores Building and run by Melissa Raulston and SLIS IT students. The program at SLIS exists as a computer refurbishing program for at risk, male youth of the Tallahassee area.

Students are middle and high school boys who are referred by school officials, parents, law enforcement, and the court system. Over the course of the semester, students were taught basic hardware and software troubleshooting, basic software and hardware installation, use and purpose of different web programs and applications, and more. The



SLIS Alumnus Willie Jackson speaks at the 50 Large graduation

young men caught on well and the IT students learned as much from them as they learned from our students. The typical 50 Large student is a former or current gang member willing to make a change.



Thanks to the donations from DISC Village and others, the program was fully stocked for the Fall. Students are given lessons in computer basics to start. They strip down the donated machines to the skeleton, then rebuild the machines with newer hardware and current software.



On Wednesday, December 15th, the students from the current 50 Large class graduated. As part of their successful completion, they are given the computer they built. If you are interested in supporting the program, donating computer equipment, or getting involved, please contact Melissa Raulston (mraulston@fsu.edu) or Joshua McDougall (jcm08j@fsu.edu).

SLIS grad student is selected for ALA Student-to-Staff Program

SLIS graduate student Daniela Hudson has been selected as the ALA Student-to-Staff representative for The Florida State University at the 2011 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. Graduate student Suzanne Smagala will represent FSU, should Hudson be unable to serve. Each fall, members of student chapters of the American Library Association may compete to be Student-to-Staff representatives for their colleges or universities. Forty representatives are chosen from across the U.S. to receive free annual conference registration, housing, and a per diem for meals during the ALA annual conference. In exchange, the representatives work four hours per day for four days during the conference.

"I congratulate Daniela and I am so pleased that she will be representing our chapter at the annual conference," said Corinne Jörgensen, Director of the School of Library & Information Studies at FSU. SLIS will be assisting Ms. Hudson with transportation costs, which are not covered by the ALA. Each school follows their own process to select their Student-to-Staff representative. SLIS had five applicants who were required to write an essay on their purpose for attending the conference. A committee of SLIS faculty chose the winner and alternate.



SLIS alumnus Dunn finalist for Jefferson Award

Warrick Dunn has represented The Florida State University well, both on and off the football field, and now the FSU community has an opportunity to show its appreciation. Dunn, a graduate of the College of Communication & Information's School of Library & Information Studies, is a finalist for a prestigious Jefferson Award for Public Service. Fans may vote at http://www.allstarshelpingkids.org/teammates/voting2011.html.

This is the second year that All Stars Helping Kids, a nonprofit that urges athletes to use their talents and name recognition to improve the lives of children, has partnered with the Jefferson Awards to create a separate category honoring professional athletes for public service. The Warrick Dunn Family

Foundation's Homes for the Holidays program, working in partnership with Habitat for Humanity, has helped almost 100 families headed by single parents get into their new homes in Tallahassee, Tampa, Baton Rouge and Atlanta – the communities where Dunn has lived and played football at the high school, college or professional level.

"Warrick is setting an outstanding example for everyone and truly deserves to be recognized for his efforts," said Dr. Larry Dennis, Dean of the College of Communication & Information. "Please take the time to vote for Warrick and encourage everyone you know to do the same. By the way, you can vote early and often." Dunn created the Homes for Holidays program in 1997 during his rookie season in the NFL to honor his mother, a Baton Rouge police officer and single parent who dreamed of owning her own home and often worked extra shifts providing security to support her



family. Before she could realize her dream, Betty Smothers was shot and killed in an armed robbery during an off-duty shift. Dunn, 18 years old when his mother was slain, took over caring for his five siblings. The outpouring of support from the people of Baton Rouge instilled in him a commitment to charity and community.

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In 2002, Dunn expanded his philanthropic efforts by establishing the Warrick Dunn Family Foundation to grow programs and services for single-parent families. To date, Dunn's charities have contributed almost half a million dollars in down-payment assistance and almost \$2 million in home furnishings and household necessities – with furniture provided by Aaron's Inc. – to single-parent families as holidays approached. In the past year, the foundation has worked with Big Bend Habitat for Humanity to help with down-payments and furnish homes for two single mothers in Tallahassee, one whose family was moving into a new home just before Christmas 2009 and the other whose family was moving in just before Mother's Day 2010. For more on the foundation and its work, go

just before Mother's Day 2010. For more on the foundation and its we to http://www.warrickdunnfoundation.org.

Dunn received two other honors this fall as a result of his philanthropy. He was named recipient of the 2010 Heisman Humanitarian Award, which was presented at the 76th Annual Heisman Trophy Dinner on Dec. 13 in New York. This is the fifth year the Heisman Humanitarian, which honors athletes who go above and beyond to improve the lives of others, has been presented. Dunn is also this year's Outstanding Alumnus of the School of Library & Information Studies and was recognized, along with honorees from the other two schools in the college, at the CCI Homecoming Convocation on Nov. 6.

The Jefferson Awards are a prestigious national recognition system honoring community and public service in America. The Jefferson Awards are presented on two levels: national and local. They began in 1972 to create a Nobel Prize for public service. Today, the primary purpose of the awards is to serve as a "Call to Action for Volunteers" in local communities. For more information, go to <u>http://www.jeffersonawards.org/</u>

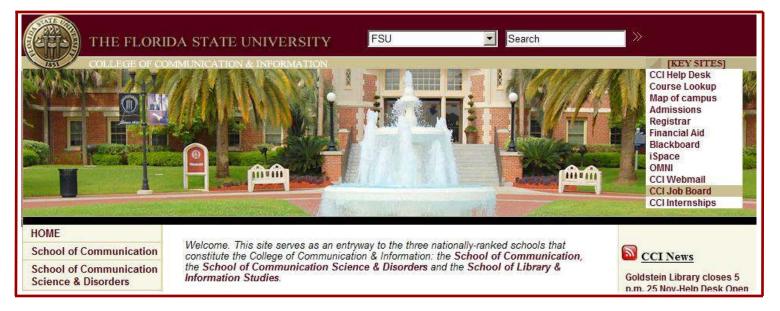


Warrick Dunn, at right.

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- January 7: Last Day to drop/add
- January 17: NO CLASSES—MLK Day
- March 7-11: Spring Break
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- April 22: Last Day of Classes
- April 25-29: Final Exam Week
- May 4: Grades available online

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