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FACULTY SUMMER PROJECTS ADD TO CAMPUS EXCELLENCE

University faculty are spending their summer doing a variety of beneficial projects.

Dr. Shiv Gupta, professor of marketing and economics, traveled to China for 22 days in May to research the extent of the country's economic development and its impact on globalization. He also looked at how the Communist regime is doing and how far they have entered the free market economy.

China, although a Communist country, has a coastal region that functions as a free market and is a challenge to the United States.

He will submit a proposal to present his findings at Academic Excellence Day 2005.

According to Gupta, his approach to this research project is similar to a project he did in 1986 when he traveled to East and West Germany to study how far behind East Germany was in the free market compared to West Germany.

Dr. Jon Gordon, director of the communication program, and **Dr. Fumiko Harada**, professor of Japanese, traveled to India May 31 through June 14 with the College Consortium on International Education in a Faculty Development Tour of India.

According to Gordon, the goal of the trip was to experience the diversity of the Indian culture.

During the trip, the group spoke with tsunami survivors in Chennai and toured the Convergys call center in

Bangalore; observed traditional dance at the Nrityagram Dance Village and watched snake charmers on the streets of Delhi. They also heard presentations by Madras University faculty and played with children at the Christel House Learning Centre.

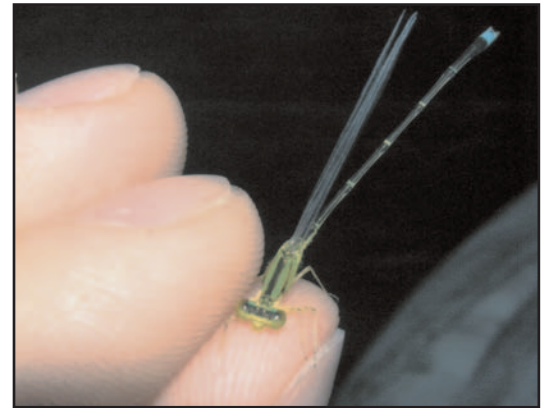
"The tour provided an invaluable introduction to one of the most complex cultures in the world. It is an experience we hope to share with our students and colleagues," Gordon reflected.

Dr. Dwight Moody, professor of biology, is spending his summer evenings floating in a pond in Cygnet, Ohio, tracking the mating and egg-laying behavior of the Vesper Bluet, the only nocturnal damselfly native to the Midwest.

This is the second summer Moody has researched the damselfly. Last summer Moody and Shane Myers, fifth-year biology intern, focused on capturing still images of the unique insect. This summer, the pair is hoping to videotape the Vesper Bluet and present their work to the State Odonata Society and in class.

According to Moody, even though the Vesper Bluet is fairly common in the Midwest, there are approximately only six species of nocturnal damselflies worldwide.

Moody adds that damselflies are harmless to people and are tremendous insect eaters, particularly mosquitoes.



Dr. Dwight Moody, has been researching the mating and egg-laying behavior of the Vesper Bluet (pictured above), the only nocturnal damsel fly found in the Midwest.

Dr. Hiroaki Kawamura, associate professor of Japanese, served as a visiting professor for the Japanese Language Teacher Training Institute July 5-15. The institute was held at Portland State University, Portland, Ore.

The program is organized by the Alliance for Language Learning and Educational Exchange (ALLEX), which sends Japanese language instructors to U.S. colleges and universities. Prior to going to their assigned schools, the instructors received eight weeks of intensive training in Japanese language pedagogy.

Kawamura is instructing the educators on how to teach Japanese as a foreign language to English speakers.

Kawamura went through the program in 1991 and has taught for the institute since 1993.

NEW STAFF APPOINTED

Kory Allen, offensive line coach, recruiter, assistant youth coach for the football team and instructor. B.S., sports management, Ohio Northern University.

Meghan Allender, assistant athletic trainer/instructor. A.A., personal training, The University of Findlay; B.S., athletic training, The University of Findlay

Elsie Bishop, administrative assistant, the Office of Financial Aid.

Amber Breneman, assistant women's volleyball coach/assistant sports information director/instructor. B.S., biology, The University of Findlay; M.A.E., education, The University of Findlay.

Mike Clouse, associate director of financial aid. B.S., environmental and hazardous materials management, The University of Findlay.

Annette Crawford, housekeeper.

Aaron Flechtner, part-time security, main campus.

David Foust, full-time security,

main campus.

Ann Golden, part-time night security, south campus.

Michelle Grohoske, administrative assistant, the Office of Graduate and Special Programs.

Whitney Haverfield, assistant public information officer, the Office of University Relations. B.A., communication and broadcast telecommunication, The University of Findlay.

Donna Hiltner, housekeeping supervisor.

Savithri Kolla, MIS analyst and programmer. B.S. computer science and engineering, Nagarjuna University; M.S., computer science, Bowling Green State University.

Justin Konvalinka, security. A.A., criminal justice, Massachusetts Bay Community College; B.S., criminal justice, Westfield State College.

Michael Kostoff, assistant coach of the football team. B.A., psychology, Eastern Michigan University; M.A., educational leadership, The University

of Findlay.

Noah Kreischer, academic technology specialist for the Blackboard management information system. B.S., international business/business management, The University of Findlay.

Tracy Love, part-time security, main campus.

Ira Mansfield, security, main campus.

Ryan McKinnon, security, main campus, O.P.O.T.A., Owens Community College.

Nathan Moore, admissions counselor. B.A., children's book illustration, The University of Findlay; M.A., education, The University of Findlay.

Tamera Passet, security, main campus.

Andrea Saltzman, housekeeper.

Dakel Vicks, admissions counselor. B.A., criminal justice administration and sociology, The University of Findlay.

THE CAVE IS BEING RENOVATED

Several improvements are planned for the Cave Snack Bar this summer.

As part of a two-year renovation project planned by the University, the Cave's service line will receive the focus of this summer's renovation. The service line will be divided into Grill 155, Rappz and Smart Market.

According to David P. Harr, director of Sodexho campus services, the Cave also will provide three different menus and offer more healthy food with a supply of new cookware for non-fried menu items.

Grill 155 will provide customers with chicken tenders, various sandwiches, value meals and special limited-time offers.

Rappz will feature an assortment of wraps and limited-time featured wraps. According to Harr, Smart Market will offer on-the-go customers prepackaged

sandwiches, salads, bottled drinks and other assorted foods.

Along with new menu items, soft drinks and subsequent free refills will be provided via a new soft drink stand set to be constructed by August.

The second part of the renovation will begin next summer. This will include a coffee stand with Seattle's Best Coffee, new seating arrangements and a coffee-shop feel.

Grill 155, Rappz and Smart Market are slated for completion August 1.



The Cave's service line is being divided into Grill 155, Rappz and Smart Market.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS



Campers work on their ball-handling skills during the Men's Basketball Day camp, July 11-14.



Kat Jarvis, a 2005 art education graduate, works with a student during the Mazza Art Camp. The camp was held to inspire children to become young illustrators.



Charles Shepard II, director of alumni and parent relations, and Glen and Helen Stout '42 pose for a photo during the Stout's recent visit to campus. The couple, who are long-time supporters of the University, reside in Champaign, Ill.



Nearly 145 Ohio high school students learned what it is like to develop and run a company during Ohio Business Week (OBW), July 17-23. This year marked the 11th year OBW has been held on campus.



Girls practice their techniques on the ice during the Figure Skating Camp, July 10-15.

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UF STUDENTS BUSY DURING THE SUMMER

From the stage to the laboratory, UF students are spending the summer gaining hands-on experience in their major.

Nikki Marie Coe, a senior theatre performance/theatre production design

major at UF, is working as the stage manager for the 2005 SummerStock theatre production of *Noises Off*. Coe is a native of Oregon, Ohio.



As stage manager, Coe's responsibilities include calling the cues during rehearsals and ensuring that everything runs smoothly on and off stage. *Noises Off* was performed in the John and Hester Powell Grimm Theatre July 20-24.

Nicholas Flugga, a junior biology major at UF is spending his summer studying the impact ultra-violet light and pollutants have on the water flea, which is

a microscopic aquatic animal.

Flugga, a Findlay native and a UF Honors Program student, is doing the

project as a part of a National Science Foundation REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates) Scholarship. Flugga and a group of other REU scholarship

winners took a trip to Lake Tahoe in the Sierra Nevada mountains to collect water samples.

According to information provided by the Professional Experience Program, UF students are working in internships and co-ops in numerous businesses and organizations this summer including Northwest Ohio Neurology, Marathon Ashland Petroleum, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company and the Westin Resort on Hilton Head Island.



OPENING EVENTS CELEBRATE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

A number of events and activities will be held to celebrate the start of the 2005-06 academic year.

Opening day events will begin Tuesday, Aug. 23 with a buffet breakfast from 7-7:45 a.m. in the Koehler Center. The breakfast will be followed by a video at 7:45 a.m. and the opening session at 8 a.m.

Opening activities for the morning session include presentations by the Office of Annual Giving, the United Way, and the First Year Seminar Program.

The afternoon session includes a presentation on transformative uses of technology at UF and college meetings.

Later that day, an all-University/Seminary family picnic will begin at 5 p.m. in the Koehler Center.

Full-time University employees, retired faculty and staff, adjunct faculty, UF Board of Trustee members, and Winebrenner Theological Seminary employees are invited to opening day events.

The University's annual Arch Ceremony, welcoming the Class of 2009, will take place Sunday, Aug. 28, at 5 p.m. beginning in the Koehler Center.

The Oiler Brass Marching Band will play before the ceremony and provide processional music.

Following the ceremony, a reception will be held for new students, orientation leaders, faculty and staff in the Alumni Memorial Union. President and Mrs. Freed, Dr. Dan May, vice president of academic affairs and the college deans will host the reception.

STUDENT ARRIVAL DATES

Student Group

Arrival or Start Date

Football Team	Arrive Aug. 4
Hall Directors	Arrive Aug. 6
Women's Volleyball Team	Arrive Aug. 7
Men's and Women's Soccer Teams	Arrive Aug. 9
Resident Assistants	Arrive Aug. 14
New Band Members and Drumline	Arrive Aug. 18
Cross Country Team	Arrive Aug. 21
English Equestrian Team	Arrive Aug. 21
Returning Band Members	Arrive Aug. 21
Women's Tennis Team	Arrive Aug. 24
Cheerleading Team	Arrive Aug. 24
Orientation Leaders	Arrive Aug. 25
New Students	Arrive Aug. 26
New Student Orientation	Aug. 26, 27, 28
Upperclassmen	Arrive Aug. 27
Arch Ceremony	Aug. 28
Undergraduate Classes Begin	Aug. 29