The Bachelor of Science degree in Photography is part of a joint 2+2 program between Daytona State College and UCF. Photography majors who have earned the Associate of Science in Photographic Technology are accepted seamlessly into the UCF program which offers a holistic photographic education incorporating strong technical, creative and critical skills to graduates. The excellence of the program is exemplified by the opportunities afforded our students upon graduation. Alumni are working as photo and web editors, receiving photojournalism internships, embarking on freelance careers and earning entry into programs at Pratt Institute and the Rochester Institute of Technology, among others. See program alumni opportunities, page 3.

Jason Burrell, Program Coordinator
Laine Wyatt, Assistant Professor
Steve Spencer, Instructor

UCF Daytona Beach Faculty Highlight

Vicky Cardullo’s research interest lies in the exploration of digital comprehension. The increased use of online text has propelled reading strategies to move beyond decoding, word recognition and comprehension. To that end, Ms. Cardullo received a grant to explore the building of a comprehensive bridge between terminology of new literacies (digital-based text comprehension) and print-based comprehension. This grant has allowed Cardullo to work with Clearwater High School—the first school in the nation to adopt all e-textbooks for students—and gather data to determine strategies students are currently using as they read digital-based text. See Cardullo, page 3.
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UCF DAYTONA BEACH FALL CAMPUS FESTIVAL: PIRATE INVASION
A week long festival of activities and events was just completed Friday, October 29th. The atrium was being decorated to resemble a pirate ship, with theatre props and costumes. Students participated in games with the pirate themes, such as walk the plank, port hold toss, tic tac pirate toss, card matching, guess the beans in the jar, cup shuffle etc. SGA provided decorations and food for students. It was a fun filled week.

The first graduates from the Bachelor of Science degree in Photography were in 2005. Below are some opportunities that our program alumnae experiences:

- Stephanie Gould, ’07, was just accepted at Pratt Institute in NYC.
- Annah Rowe, ’07, is a photo editor for Getty Images.
- Laura Dervin, ’07, is web editor for Calumet Photographic in Chicago.
- Gary Lester, ’08, has had films in 2 international film festivals and recipient of the Crystal Reel Award in 2009 and 2008 from the Florida Motion Picture & Television Association.
- Carly Miller ’08 earned a scholarship and assistantship at Rochester Institute of Technology
- Christina Poydexter ’08 earned a President’s Scholarship and assistantship at FSU
- Bryan Kasam ’08 has worked for Out Traveler Magazine and also maintains a freelance career in New York, New York
- Clarissa Bonet ’08 earned a scholarship and assistantship at Columbia University
- Cassi Alexandra ’10 currently at a rare photojournalism internship, also a freelance photographer for the New York Times

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UCF COCOA and UCF PALM BAY

faculty and staff

Barbara Alderman, Andy Todd, and Barbara Rau Kyle presented an overview of their Information Fluency project, “Multiple Partnerships for Student Information Literacy: Library, Writing Center, Faculty, and Administrators,” at the 7th Annual Georgia Conference on Information Literacy in Savannah on October 1. Kyle and Todd, along with a BCC librarian and UCF peer writing consultant, also conducted clicker-based Information Fluency workshops.

Dr. John Lynwiler, associate professor of sociology, was appointed as the chair of the Stanford M. Lyman Memorial Scholarship Committee.

Dr. Karen Mottarella and Shannon Whitten of UCF Palm Bay Psychology program presented their research “What Students Really Want in an Undergraduate Faculty Mentor” at the National Academic Advising Association’s (NACADA) Annual conference on October 5th. DeAnne Collins, former undergraduate research assistant, was a co-presenter.

Dr. Karen Mottarella began her second three-year appointment as a review editor for the NACADA Journal.

Leandra Preston presented “From Cyborgs to Cybergirls: Redefining Girl Power through Digital Literacy” at the “Reimagining Girlhood” conference hosted by SUNY Cortland in October.

Charles Viglione’s Cornerstone students at UCF Cocoa are conducting service-learning projects.

The UCF Alumni Chapter sponsored a table for dinner at the Best Business Awards Gridiron Gala on October 8 as well as staffing a UCF table of promotional items at the event.

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Decision Days were held on October 29 and November 1.

The UCF Sanford/Lake Mary campus plans to offer an Exam Prep Workshop for students.

students

Jamasha Cox, student ambassador/office assistant (Enrollment Services) was selected to be a UCF Legislative Scholar.

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Nancy Dunwoody St. George, a UCF Cocoa senior in Legal Studies, founded CourtWatch Brevard, an organization which allows students to take their theoretical knowledge into actual courtroom settings. Interns earn community service credit through VolunteerUCF. Visit at http://www.courtwatchbrevard.org.

upcoming events

Orientation: UCF Cocoa - Tuesday - November 16
UCF Palm Bay - Wednesday - December 2
November 17: Framework for Understanding Poverty (9 a.m.- Noon) Building 3, #325
November 30: How to Conduct Class Meetings including Team Building and Class Building Ideas (4 p.m.-5 p.m.) Building 3, #308
December 7: Interviewing Strategies and Resume Building for Teachers (6 p.m.-7 p.m.) Building 3, #308

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kudos

UCF and Seminole State faculty continue to sing praises for Valerie “Val” Brackman, Office Manager and faculty liaison for UCF Sanford/Lake Mary. Val, in her 9th year at UCF, goes above and beyond by not only supporting UCF faculty, she doesn’t hesitate to assist the neighboring Seminole State faculty and wayward students. Thanks Val!!

UCF COCOA and UCF PALM BAY

UCF SANFORD/LAKE MARY

faculty and staff

Dr. David Mealer was a guest speaker at the Seminole State College Leadership Academy.

Dr. Jonathan Matsuzi was selected to teach a Cross-Cultural Communication course to military commanders at a NATO base, S.H.A.P.E. (Supreme Headquarters in Allied Powers Europe) in Belgium.

UCF Sanford/Lake Mary faculty and staff took part in the UCF Steps to Prevent Discrimination Workshop on October 26. The workshop was broadcast via polycom to the regional campus locations.

Jacqueline West-Lee received a certificate at the OD & Training Recognition Ceremony for completing Supervisory Skills.

Pam Williams Grue and Michele Van Brunt attended the Seminole State College Career Fair on Thursday, October 28.

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On October 15, 2010 UCF and LSCC partnered to provide a safety and security seminar entitled “How To Stay Safe On & Off Our Campuses” to all UCF & LSCC students on October 15. WELCOME NEW STAFF: Radamas Kennedy-UCF Ocala Susan Cordova-UCF Ocala

farewell/thank you: Janet Stavrou-UCF South Lake (7yr service) Lakischer Murphy-UCF College of Ed

students
November 17th Happy Hour Workshop “Rhythm, Readin’, ‘Ritir’, & ‘Rithmetic & Really Rambunctious Ramifications”. For Elementary and Early Childhood Education students- presented by Bill Carter, former Lake County teacher, Leesburg campus, HSB Auditorium, 4-5 p.m.

Ellysa Vamer, 2010 Graduate of the UCF Ocala Elementary Education program was chosen to attend an Educator Week at NASA in Houston, Texas (GO KNIGHTS!)

The UCF Western Region Elementary Education Students participated in the National Literacy Event, Read for the Record Day. Western Region students read The Snowy Day to 3,610 students in Lake County Schools on Thursday October 7. Students pictured here from left to right: Cindy Murray, Donna Olsen and Carla Gaskin.

On Thursday October 14, the UCF Western Region Enrollment Services Associate Director, SGA President Dawn Scott, ANNE Reynders, and Franklin Cabral. Dr. Ceci Rivers, Western Region AVP, Christy Pastinisch, Enrollment Services Associate Director, SGA President Dawn Scott and LSCC’s US Financial Aid Director, Audrey Williams, attended the Stukey Community Festival on October 9 in Lake County. The team provided information to many of the 750+ people who attended the event.

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On October 12 Dr. Sheryl Cohn hosted an Ethics Seminar for Internship I & II Education Majors in the Cooper Memorial Library. Special guests included Mrs. Rhonda Hurt, Director Elementary Curriculum Lake County Schools and Dr. Jason Ampel, Social Studies Teacher East Ridge High School and UCF College of Education Adjunct Instructor.

The newly-created Bachelor of Design in Architecture program reception at UCF Valencia West for students on the first day of class. Welcoming the students to the university and the program were faculty, university and local architecture representatives.

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4th Annual Black and Gold Knight Spirit Day!
A message from the interim vice provost - Joyce Dorner

UCF’s new Provost, Dr. Tony Waldrop, completed his visitations to the Regional Campuses this past week, visiting the campuses at Cocoa, Daytona Beach, Clermont, Valencia West, and Sanford/Lake Mary. As many of you are aware, he met with our consortium presidents on each of the campuses, followed by a meeting with students, faculty, and staff. He also visited with Dr. Chick Dassance, President, College of Central Florida located in Ocala. I had the privilege of attending the meetings with the Provost and wanted to share some observations with you. All of the campuses did a wonderful job in preparing for the Provost meeting and putting informative documents together for him to review. Students clearly articulated their appreciation for the face to face and smaller classes as well as the individualized attention they receive on the regional campuses. The faculty’s desire for quality instruction is evident. Collectively, one felt a sense of community at each of the campuses. I believe the Provost came away with a view of the vision and mission of the regional campuses and saw their efforts at building partnerships clearly demonstrated. I could not be more proud of all of our campuses and what they and you represent. One cannot sit in such meetings without feeling a sense of commitment to students inherent in all that faculty, staff and leadership do. My thanks and appreciation to all of you.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

CE WEB SITE WINS INTERNATIONAL AWARD

The Division of Continuing Education at UCF was recognized for excellence in website design by an international association of lifelong learning.

The Learning Resources Network (LERN) selected Continuing Education for incorporating powerful visuals and an overall good web design and for the use of testimonials to inform visitors about its programs. Selected from a field of more than 80 entries from four countries, the nominees were among the best ever submitted, said Julie Coates, vice president of LERN.

The website was conceptualized, designed and built by Continuing Education’s team led by Martin Malpica. The team included graphic designer Christina Grace, systems applications analyst and software developer Marcos Trzymel and data specialist Ricardo Suárez.

To view the award-winning website, visit UCF Continuing Education.

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ACADEMIC UPDATE - Steve Holmes

As we enter the second half of the fall semester and the scheduling cycle begins winding down, it’s time we begin to reflect on the processes and lessons learned. I want to start by thanking everyone involved in the scheduling process: Cyndi, our scheduling coordinator; Denise, our resource specialist; Jason, Lauren, Sean, Edgar and Tanya, our regional directors; our program schedulers and program chairs. Without your hard work and close attention to detail, we might still be stuck on the first draft.

What have we learned through this scheduling cycle? First and foremost, the process Joyce and Cyndi established—“scope and sequence” for each academic program—was an overwhelming success. In our meetings with the chairs and program coordinators this year, we were able to focus on the issues and problems faced by individual departments. True, there were some minor adjustments to the scheduling plan, but the talks centered on student, faculty and other programmatic issues rather than what classes were going to be offered at what times and locations. This was refreshing for all of us.

Second, I believe it is important to mention that all programs regardless of size or college affiliation are struggling to meet their mission and provide the highest quality of education possible to their students. The schedule is one of the most important components of the educational delivery process. While many departments have regularly allowed faculty to have a voice in decisions regarding dates, times and classes being offered, this may be a thing of the past. More programs this year insisted that their schedule be done centrally so they could take into account student and curricular needs before faculty preferences. This is not likely to change much in the future as the stimulus dollars expire in the coming years.

Finally, this year was the first that we used our “Knowledge Management System” (KMS), otherwise known as the “wiki,” to allow directors and even some partners from the main campus to view and edit our schedule. While the KMS system did not allow us to automatically edit documents in real time, it was a vast improvement over years past. With the upgrade to the KMS system next spring, there will be significant upgrades allowing users to see, edit and track changes throughout the process.

Again, I want to give special thanks to everyone who worked on the schedule this year. Without you and your specialized knowledge of the programs and facilities throughout the region, we could never get this done.

Kudos: Congratulations to Jay Schaefer upon completing his dissertation in Public Affairs. He will be hooded by chair, Dr. Stephen Holmes, at COHPA’s graduation ceremony in December.

Congratulations to Dr. Stephen Holmes on the publication of his new book, Fatal Violence Case Studies and Analysis of Emerging Forms.
ENROLLMENT SERVICES

CAMPUS NEWS
The staff meeting was held at the Palm Bay campus this month. Thanks to Lauren, Kristina and Sonya for their hospitality! During the meeting the staff discussed changes to Decision Days. Undergraduate Admissions is hoping to be totally paperless (except only on-line applications and forms) in the near future. This will require a change in the way we market and accomplish our events. Students will be asked to use the on-line registration form and submit their application and fee on-line.

FACULTY/STAFF
Christy Pasnisin (Assistant Director, Southlake) and Thomas Silarek (Coordinator, Southlake) attended the Organizational Development & Training Recognition Luncheon on October 14. They were acknowledged for their continued support and participation in the development initiatives undertaken in the Western Region.

Chris Fletcher (Assistant Director, Valencia West), Sheille Thomas (Coordinator, Valencia West) and Jessica Rivera-Cintrón (Program Assistant, Valencia West) represented UCF Regional Campuses at Valencia Community College’s annual College Night. There were events held at both the Valencia West and Osceola Campuses. More than 8,000 students attended!

STUDENT SERVICES

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
• Congratulations to Ginny Dear on her participation in the UCF video highlighting students studying at UCF Daytona Beach.

OUT AND ABOUT IN OCTOBER
• Supported regional students, faculty, and staff at UCF Daytona Beach in areas of student disability services, veteran services, orientation, contact, etc. and followed up regarding registration and enrollment; planned and supported various UCF Homecoming and Spirit Day events at Regional Campuses.
• Responded to transfer and transition needs of regional students at Cocoa and Palm Bay campuses for orientation services, veteran services and housing.

• Organized four financial workshops as part of SuccessOnUs at UCF South Lake; organized a highly successful alumni and family event called Black and Gold Knight held at The Olive Garden in Clermont during UCF Homecoming Week, with 80 persons attending.

• Advised new and returning transfer students about student services and academic advising concerns; coordinated UCF Spirit Day with UCF Valencia West staff for 25-30 students.

• Established SGA offices at UCF Sanford/Lake Mary and UCF Valencia West campuses; assisted by SGA Student Body Vice President and the two SGA Regional Campuses Senators, Danny and Santiago.

• Orchestrated the broadcast and recording of the Diversity Breakfast program entitled Honoring Diversity: A Nation of Nations at UCF Ocala, UCF South Lake, UCF Osceola, UCF Valencia West, UCF Daytona Beach, UCF Cocoa and UCF Palm Bay. Dr. Lemanuel “Lee” Bitsol, a native American was our speaker during Diversity Week 2010.

NOVEMBER (MONTH) EVENTS
• Making preparations for Spring 2011 orientation.

KUDOS OR GOOD NEWS
• Congratulations to Terry Exum, Jim Smith, Pat Patos, DeLaine Priest, Dr. Mark Allen Poisel, Paul Viau, Brian Boyd, Jim Middlekauff, and Angé Peterson, for their collaborative effort in securing a $370,000 grant to fund and support the new Veterans Academic Resource Center in Orlando over the next three-year period. UCF is now recognized as one of 19 centers of excellence for veterans and veteran dependants!

UPCOMING EVENTS: November 17 Valencia West Campus 10 - 2 PM
November 12 Valencia East Campus 10 - 2 PM
November 4 Melbourne Campus 10 - Noon
November 1 Sanford/Lake Mary Campus 1 - 5 PM
November 3 Cocoa Campus 10 - Noon
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November 17 Valencia West Campus 10 - 3 PM

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Please note the following warnings:

Phishing Email Warning: There is a new phishing email attack circulating here at UCF. Please remember that you should never provide your username and password to anyone who asks via email. Please disregard any emails that ask for security information. If you are ever in doubt, please feel free to contact Kirk Henry or the UCF Service Desk directly to inquire about an email you suspect to be fake.

Mozilla Firefox Vulnerability: A bug has been found within certain versions of Mozilla Firefox that could allow hackers to run malicious programs on your computer. Exploitation can occur if a user visits a webpage designed to take advantage of this vulnerability. As of November 1st, all versions of Firefox 3.5.x and 3.6.x are affected. Please use extra caution when using Firefox until an updated version is released.

Alli Henderson, Jeannette Holder and Bev Butch took care of our UCF Regional Campuses shift order—a special thanks to some special folks!
UCF Architecture Students Tour—Chicago, Illinois

FEATURED PROGRAM
A.S. to B.S. in Photography, B.S.
at UCF Daytona Beach