

Today is December 18, 2015

This is the last newsletter in 2015. Expect the next newsletter January 15 or 22, 2016, depending on news volume.

Dates

Tomorrow is Drake graduation. Faculty should be at the Knapp Center by 9:30. Grades are due at 10 am on December 23. Grades are due at 10 am on December 23. It bears repeating.

Confetti

A lot of people in the SOE have worked VERY hard to get all of the tables completed for our Department of Education Institutional Report by today (in fact, some of you are still finishing up). It WILL happen!! We will have all the tables done by graduation, which is tomorrow. THANK YOU SO MUCH FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART. The work is not done, but we are about to meet a very important milestone

Message from the Dean

Seasons Greetings to all. As we approach a well-deserved break, I wish to thank each of you for your extraordinary service to our students, alumni, school partners, agencies and Drake. If we were registered on the New York Stock Exchange, the word on the street for the School of Education would be “buy”! For those of you traveling far and near, return safely back to us. For those remaining in the area, I may see you at a restaurant, shop or theatre but will TRY to remember my pledge to watch the after hours email. You, on the other hand, should feel free to contact me at any time. Let me close with a quote from my favorite greeting card received yesterday from one of my Alpha Phi Drake friends:

“Embroider a path of tinsel and moonlight so Santa can see in the dark.” Gertrude Stein

Santa was parked on his sleigh reading a book and holding a glass of wine.

Dr. Janet McMahill, Dean

100% pass rate on edTPA

Eight Drake SOE student teachers submitted edTPA portfolios to Pearson for grading this fall and THEY ALL PASSED!!! The Teaching and Learning Department, led in this case by Student Teaching Director Michelle Krogulski, has explored edTPA for a number of years, but this semester is the first time that students submitted portfolios for high stakes testing. Michelle supported them in her portfolio seminar. Students will use these tests for program completion and for licensure in Iowa instead of Praxis II tests. edTPA is now required for licensure in Illinois, so there is a lot of incentive to get it right. If you know any of these students, please congratulate them: Emily Callen, Sean Kolodziej, Kayla Konidas, Peggy Leisz, Neal Patel, Marie Regala, Breanna Tisl, and Alida Trocke-Fowler.

Journal Watchlist @ Cowles

If you use one of these journals, now is time to take action. These are the education journals on the Cowles watchlist (you may be the only person using the journal, but you can still say

towards completion of the report and I really appreciate everyone's efforts. Catherine Gillespie, Associate Dean

SOE Tech committee approvals

The SOE Technology Committee met 12/15/15 and approved the following purchases:

1. 2 individual licenses of Nvivo
2. 5 Swivls
3. 6 GoPro Heros (cameras)
4. 2 individual licenses of Adobe Professional
5. 1 individual license of Adobe Illustrator
6. 2 speakers
7. 1 license for Easy Generator
8. 1 license for GoAnimate
9. 1 license for Dragon for Mac

something.)

Educational Assessment Evaluation & Accountability
Educational Horizons
Harvard Educational Review
Health Education & Behavior
International Review of Education
Qualitative Inquiry
Rehabilitation Research Policy and Education
Research in Higher Education
Educational Technology
School & Community