

Today is June 8, 2018

All of a sudden, it's summer! May you find rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation as well as clarity, productivity, and inspiration this summer. In the wise words of the National Center for Faculty Diversity, "Every Semester Needs a Plan," and that includes summer. It's not too late to make a plan for this summer, if you haven't done so already. There are still 11 weeks until fall semester classes start! That's 55 writing days if you start today and take off the 4th of July as well as every weekend.

From the Dean

On May 20, we awarded undergraduate and graduate degrees to 164 students! They go forward carrying the name of Drake; equipped to become teachers, leaders, business trainers and counselors with jobs throughout the Midwest. Thanks to every faculty, staff and alumni supporter for your role in their pathway to success.

Last Friday, I was an honored guest at a special event at Norwalk High School. Supt. DT Magee invited college deans to be present at a ceremony where 8 graduating seniors signed letters of intent to become teachers. Emily Bondura will be entering our secondary education program in the fall. Parents, teachers and the entire student body were present as the students spoke of their commitment to making a difference in American Education. Wow. We need more of that!

I resume alumni and program development travel for the next 6 weeks. I will attend to most email within a day and be mindful of the extra efforts needed as we accommodate Aggie Jones and Terry Thorpe's retirements. While we did not reach our undergraduate enrollment goal, we will be awarding modest raises. Chuck, Tonia, and Robyn will be communicating with you later next week after all of our information has been loaded into salary planner.

Whether you are teaching, traveling away, or planning a "staycation," I hope you can take advantage of some time to rest and renew.

Dr. Jan McMahill, Dean of Drake University School of Education

Drake doctoral candidate joins State Board of Education

Kimberly Wayne of Des Moines is a new member of the State Board of Education in Iowa. She is the regional manager of Quality and Continuous Improvement at the Siegwirk Company. Kimberly is a doctoral candidate in educational leadership at Drake University. She earned a master's of business administration degree from Iowa State University and a B.S. degree in chemical engineering from Purdue University. She has a passion for empowering youth and founded Jewels Academy, an informal STEM enrichment organization for underrepresented young women.

Publications

Dr. Matt Hayden published a peer-reviewed article entitled [Cosmopolitan Education in Agonistic Morality: Epistemological Restraint, Discourse Ethics, and Agonistic Pluralism](https://journals.sfu.ca/pie/index.php/pie/article/view/1027). Read it here: <https://journals.sfu.ca/pie/index.php/pie/article/view/1027>

Dr. Catherine Gillespie wrote an online piece for The Conversation entitled Eating Disorders are Hard to Overcome but Ditching Diets is Crucial that has been read 22,250 times as of this morning. Read it here:

<https://theconversation.com/eating-disorders-are-hard-to-overcome-but-ditching-diets-is-crucial-96078>

Newsletter

The Iowa Department of Education has released its June, 2018 School Leader Update: <https://educateiowa.gov/resources/school-leader-update>

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