Just one year ago Messiah College launched the Graduate Program in Education, and as of this writing, we have 23 full-time students enrolled, with balanced numbers in the Special Education and TESOL tracks. This is the first of many newsletters dedicated to building a sense of community within our program. It is my hope that we can use the newsletter to communicate important information and to celebrate each other.

As you can see, our newsletter is yet to be named. We would like to enlist your help in providing a title for it. Please submit suggestions to apatton@messiah.edu.

Peace,

Dr. Nancy Patrick
Director of the Graduate Program in Education
The Messiah College Graduate Program in Education is pleased to announce the addition of Jan Dormer as a full-time faculty member, beginning this semester.

Jan and her husband have served on the mission field in Indonesia, Brazil, and Kenya.

Jan teaches EDME 520 Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition, EDME 521 TESOL Methods and Assessment, and EDME 532 TESOL Internship and Seminar.

We are also pleased to report that Jonathan Burchard has joined the program as one of our adjunct faculty members. He brings with him a substantial background in social work, school counseling, and ministry, as well as marriage and family counseling.

Jon and his wife, Dr. Melinda Burchard, who also teaches at Messiah College, recently celebrated the birth of their first grandchild!

Jon teaches EDME 504 Family and Community Partnerships during the on-campus Summer Intensive week.
Marnie Anderson also joins the program this semester as an adjunct instructor, and we are delighted to welcome her.

Marnie holds bachelor's and master's degrees in special education from Penn State, with an emphasis on early childhood special education.

Marnie teaches EDME 528 Infants, Toddlers, and Families with field experience.

*Please Join us in welcoming them!

Announcements

You are invited to subscribe to the new listserv that is sponsored by the Graduate Program in Education.

It is a tool that is dedicated to you for use as a means to receive professional information about the program at Messiah, as well as news about conferences and job openings. It also serves as an avenue for you to post any questions that you may have for your peers and faculty.

Use the following address to subscribe to the list: listserv.messiah.edu/scripts/wa.exe?SUBED1=GRADEDME.
Upcoming Events

The Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators
41st ANNUAL TEACHER EDUCATION ASSEMBLY
October 24-26, 2012
Location: Best Western Premier the Central, Harrisburg

PACEC
(Pennsylvania Council for Exceptional Children)
53rd ANNUAL CONVENTION
Friday, November 9, 2012
Location: Harrisburg East Holiday Inn

Courses

Registration for Spring 2013
Begins on October 30, 2012

We have added
EDME 545 Research Design and Statistics
to our program.
Class runs from October 21, through to December 15.

Reminder:
All Graduate in Education classes will be 8-weeks in length beginning in January 2013.
Early Spring 2013 Courses
January 13—March 9, 2013

EDME 505 Educational Leadership
EDME 518 Second Language Acquisition: Theories & Contexts
EDME 529 High Incidence Populations with field experience
EDME 533 TESOL Thesis/Project
EDME 551 Effective Practices for Every Learner

Late Spring 2013 Courses
March 17—May 11, 2013

EDME 503 Advanced Instructional Design and Assessment
EDME 520 Applied Linguistics: Grammar and Phonology in TESOL
EDME 527 Behavioral Support with Field Experience

Be sure to consult your degree audit on Banner and meet with your advisor before registering on October 30, 2012.
How well do you do you know us?

Which Graduate Program in Education faculty member recently had major surgery?

The first five emails to apatton@messiah.edu that contain the correct answer will receive a free cookie voucher for the Falcon, that you can redeem when on campus.

~Consider This~

“I never teach my pupils. I only attempt to provide the conditions in which they can learn.”

Albert Einstein