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GRADUATE STUDENT PANELISTS AT THE INFORMATION SESSION

Welcome to the Dean's Corner

Dear Scholars, Alumni, Faculty, Staff and Supporters,

It is with great pride and excitement that I welcome you to the inaugural edition of our Grad Gazette Newsletter. This new platform will serve as a place for us to share our successes, foster connections, and celebrate the many achievements and endeavors that make graduate education at Winston-Salem State University a thriving community of scholars, researchers, and innovators.

This first edition marks the beginning of an initiative to keep you informed and inspired by the work of your peers, the accomplishments of our faculty, and the many resources and opportunities available to enrich your academic journey. Each month, we aim to bring you highlights from ongoing research, feature stories about our students and alumni, and updates about events, workshops, and services that support your personal and professional growth.

As we begin to enter the holiday season and end to another year, I am particularly encouraged by the enthusiasm and commitment I see across our graduate community. We have many new initiatives on the horizon. The ideas, suggestions, and feedback that we have received from our current scholars will certainly enhance your graduate experience. Together, we are building an environment where rigorous scholarship and creative inquiry meet to solve real-world challenges. It is my hope that this newsletter will be a reminder of the impact that each of you has on our community and your respective graduate program.

I encourage you to stay engaged, contribute your ideas, and make this newsletter a dynamic reflection of our Graduate College. Your stories, achievements, and experiences are what bring our mission to life and make this community a place where everyone's work is valued and celebrated.

Thank you for being part of our graduate education community. I look forward to the months ahead and to all the inspiring stories we will share.

Warm Regards,
Montrel Boykin
Interim Dean of the Graduate College

In this newsletter you can expect:

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Highlights from October 2024

As you may know, October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Winston Salem State University dedicated a week to enjoy a series of events spearheaded by our very own Dr. Wineglass, MHA Program Director. That week culminated with the **Rams Go Pink Breast Cancer Survivors Luncheon** where Dean Montrale Boykin got a chance to share some remarks. The event was filled with laughs, tears and inspiration.

HUGE shoutout to all of the Breast Cancer Warriors and to Dr. Wineglass for leading University efforts.



Graduate Information Session

The Graduate College hosted a Graduate School Information Session. This event is catered to our Undergraduate Students to showcase our programs and answer any questions about the enrollment process or program qualifications. The night ended with a student panel featuring our current Graduate Students to shed light on their experiences, tips and tricks to thrive in Graduate School.



MBA Students attend FINTECH @ FSU

Six MBA students along with Dr. Aparna Gosavi, MBA Program Director, attended a FinTech Conference hosted by Fayetteville State University. The students got an opportunity to listen to various prominent speakers from the academy and industry who talked about technological development and job opportunities in the FinTech industry.

The Ramily hits the road!

Arbor Acres

Our very own Dean Montrale Boykin attended the Arbor Acres Community in Winston Salem along with Ms. Kisha Garris to talk about WSSU's Mission to **"Unleash Genius"** and how we plan to Impact the Economic Mobility of North Carolina's Citizenry. He shared WSSU's 5 commitments of the Strategic Plan which include *Fostering Student Success, Promoting Equity, Inclusion and Social Innovation, Elevating the Intellectual Climate, Achieving Institutional Excellence and Cultivating resource Sustainability.*



Salem College

The Graduate College Staff traveled to Salem College here in Winston Salem, NC to talk about our programs, admissions qualifications, and what it means to truly become a RAM.



SEAGAP Regional Conference

The Graduate College Staff traveled to Charlotte, NC to attend the SEAGAP Regional Conference to learn about Graduate Student Recruitment, techniques and engagement.

Graduate Student Association Interest Sessions

IT'S HAPPENING. *You asked. We delivered.* After conducting a survey, the majority of Graduate Students felt that creating a Graduate Student Association would benefit the Graduate Student Body. This student organization will function as an arm of the WSSU SGA Team and be able to put their plans into action to assist the Graduate Student population and the Winston Salem State community at large. There were two interest meetings held to talk about the vision, goals and participant responsibilities.

Upcoming Events

Please keep an eye out on your email for future feedback surveys & registration links to make sure our events are successful

November 6, 2024

Rams on the Road: The Graduate College will be represented at the Johnson C Smith University Graduate College Fair.

November 7, 2024

Rams on the Road: The Graduate College will be represented at the Hampton University Graduate College Fair.

November 8, 2024

Homecoming Alumni Check-In and Fair on campus in **DJR 100** from 11AM-5PM - **stop by and say hello!**

November 9, 2024

****HOMECOMING****

Check out the website for more details!

November 12, 2024

Etiquette Dinner - The Graduate College will be partnering with Career Services to host an Etiquette Dinner from 6pm-8pm. Thirty students will be able to participate, please email wssugraduatecollege@wssu.edu for more information.

November 14, 2024

VIRTUAL Graduate Student Association Meeting - GSA Members will discuss constitution, by laws and election timelines. Zoom links have been emailed.

Stay Connected with us!



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Thank you for reading!
