

DCP News

Newsletter for Faculty and Staff of the College of Design, Construction & Planning

January 2004

Message from the Dean



I am very pleased that the Historic Preservation Committee has completed a draft proposal for an Interdisciplinary Concentration and Certificate in Historic Preservation. The proposal was sent to the faculty for comment and should be on its way to the Graduate School for review by the time you read this message.

The proposal is the culmination of several years of effort to build an interdisciplinary concentration that includes all five academic units in the college to create new, graduate level (Master and Ph.D.) study opportunities. I envision that the next step will be to create actual degree granting programs. Our college has succeeded in developing this exciting new program primarily with existing resources. And it builds on the strategic advantage we have with our PI:N program and in being the only design college in an AAU institution with all five academic areas housed in one location. I again congratulate the committee on their commitment and contribution.

I would briefly like to mention several new initiatives to give greater recognition to our faculty and to support faculty development. The

College Administrative Council has voted to support several new faculty awards: one for Outstanding Service and two for Outstanding Teaching at both the Undergraduate and Graduate levels to complement the one UF Award for Outstanding Teaching\Advising. Our view is that the latter award is too restrictive in not considering graduate teaching and too limited in terms of combining teaching and advising in one award category. The Outstanding Service Award will be implemented this semester, a committee is being formed, and the reward recipient will be selected in time for the College Awards Ceremony scheduled for Thursday, April 15, 2004. The teaching awards will be implemented next year. Finally, we are planning to again offer in Summer A, 2004 our college research program to assist faculty in a competitive grant process with developing their scholarly\research\creative projects. Preference will be given to junior faculty in preparation for tenure and promotion, but awards will also be given to senior faculty as funding permits.

I have enjoyed the process of meeting with the faculty in each academic unit and will continue that process this semester. If you are able to travel to Jacksonville, please join us for the Dean's Reception being hosted by Vasant and Carol Bhide at their home on February 10, 2004. Rebecca Graves has directions (rgraves@dcp.ufl.edu).



Dean and Professor

News Bulletin

- ◆ **Bienal Miami + Beach** – ARC Director Martha Kohen won the silver award for Landscape Architecture_Public at the Bienal Miami + Beach in December for her project “Memorial of the Missing Prisoners” Montevideo, Uruguay. In addition, Kohen served on the jury for the architecture competition.
- ◆ **Peurifoy Award** – BCN professor Jimmie Hinze was presented with the Peurifoy Award at the annual meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers in November. Hinze received the award in recognition of his contributions in improving the study and implementation of safety programs and research in the construction industry. The Peurifoy Award is presented each year to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of construction engineering through research and development of new technology, principles and practices. Hinze's accomplishments were also recently highlighted by the Construction Industry Institute, where he was honored as Outstanding Researcher of the Year, making him the only individual to ever receive both of these highly prestigious awards.
- ◆ **LAE Students Host National Conference** – LAE students will host the 34th annual LABASH March 25 - 28. LABASH is a national landscape architecture conference hosted each year by students for students. It is a great opportunity for LAE students and professionals to come together and celebrate the profession. LABASH 2004, (FLabash) will expose

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participants to a wide range of topics presented by a host of landscape architects and allied professionals from around the country. The theme “Worlds Colliding” addresses the circumstances that occur when an ecologically based world meets an urban environment. Through planned activities such as workshops and speakers, the students hope to heighten awareness of this problem and provide creative solutions. For more information, visit the FLabash Web site at <http://labash04.dcp.ufl.edu/>.

- ◆ **Florida Forever Program** – Students from LAE and URP, under the direction of professors Peggy Carr and Paul Zwick, collaborated to analyze the suitability and feasibility of an ecological corridor from Ocala National Forest to Osceola National Forest. Their work resulted in the Acquisition and Restoration Council voting to place the Camp Blanding to Osceola Corridor on the top list for acquisition by the State of Florida through its Florida Forever Program. The 150,000 acre project is part of a larger set of existing and proposed conservation lands that, when all purchased, will connect Wekiva Springs, just north of Orlando, to the Ocala National Forest, then on to Camp Blanding, Osceola National Forest and through Pinhook Swamp to the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge in southern Georgia.

The project, which was partially funded by a Kodak Greenways Grant received from the Conservation Fund and administered by the Conservation Trust for Florida, provided students with a real-world application for the planning and GIS technologies they were studying while serving the State through identification of a project of critical ecological value. Other partners in the effort included the Florida Office of Greenways and Trails, the Florida Trail Association and the USDA Forest Service. The Governor and Cabinet will vote on the project’s ranking in February and negotiations with landowners should begin shortly thereafter.

- ◆ **Publication** – ARC professors Nancy Clark and Michael Kuenstle’s document “Florida Building Code Handbook: State Requirements for New Educational Facilities” has been accepted for publication and is expected to be available during the spring. This new publication is the outcome of a funded research project completed by Clark and Kuenstle for the Florida Department of Education.
- ◆ **Webmaster, Public Relations Intern** – Karen Cano has joined DCP as Webmaster for the DCP Web site and Robyn Hankerson will be interning with DCP in public relations. Karen will be updating and adding features to the Web site and Robyn will be writing press releases and assisting with communications projects.

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February Calendar of Events

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Conversations for a Sustainable Future, 12 p.m.

A.J. Sontag will discuss “Green Purchasing at UF.” This presentation will be held in room 238 Rinker Hall. For more information, please email acpatel@ufl.edu or call 352-273-1174.

February 6

LAE Lecture, 2 p.m.

Martin Hakubai Mosko, ASLA and Alxe Noden will make a presentation on spirituality and landscape architecture with an emphasis on garden design and Buddhism in room 423 of the Architecture building.

IND Advisory Board, 8 a.m.

The IND Professional Advisory Board will meet in the Architecture Gallery.

February 10

BCN Career Fair, 9:30 a.m.

The BCN Career Fair will be held at the Stephen C. O’Connell Center.

Dean’s Reception, 5 p.m.

The Dean’s Reception will be held at the home of Vasant and Carol Bhide in Jacksonville. Please contact Rebecca Graves at rgraves@dcp.ufl.edu or 352-392-4836 x. 285 for more information.

February 18

Historic Preservation Lecture Series, 6 p.m.

Roy Eugene Graham, FAIA, Beinecke-Reeves Distinguished Professor will present “A Tale of Two Cities: Urban Conservation Strategies” at the Harn Museum of Art.

February 19

Conversations for a Sustainable Future, 12 p.m.

Bahar Armaghani will discuss “Green Building on Campus” in 238 Rinker Hall. For more information, please email acpatel@ufl.edu or call 352-273-1174.

Upcoming Events

March 25

FLabash

LAE students will host the 34th annual LABASH in March. LABASH is a national landscape architecture conference hosted each year by students for students. LABASH 2004 (FLabash) will focus on the theme “Worlds Colliding.”

April 30

DCP Commencement, 9 a.m.

The Spring 2004 Commencement Ceremony for the College of Design, Construction and Planning will be held at the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts.

*View the calendar online at
<http://www.dcp.ufl.edu/calendar.shtml>*

Guest Column: Paul Zwick



The Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning through the Planning Accreditation Board states that individual planning programs should, among other criteria, aspire to develop linkages to other divisions within the college and university to expand student educational opportunities. Additionally, planning programs should aspire to create a diverse student population.

Focusing on those accreditation criteria, I will take this opportunity to describe the efforts of two faculty members in URP, Dr. Kristin Larsen and Dr. Rhonda Phillips. Specifically, I wish to highlight their efforts to attract funding for economically disadvantaged or minority students through the Community Development Work Study Program funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development, and their work, with other faculties in DCP, toward the development of an Interdisciplinary Concentration and Certificate in Historic Preservation.

The **HUD Community Development Work Study Program** grant attracted by Dr. Phillips and Dr. Larsen is funded for \$150,000 and will provide financial support for five students to complete graduate work toward a master's degree in urban and regional planning. This program will assist students that otherwise might not have an opportunity for graduate studies in urban and regional planning. The students have enrolled for class starting Spring 2004 and must complete their individual studies within 2-1/2 years. The grants provide students with

Each month, we will print a guest column from a DCP academic unit chair or director. This month, we hear from Dr. Paul Zwick, Chair of the Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

funding and planning professional experience through work study and pay for the tuition fees required for courses in the URP program.

The **College of Design, Construction and Planning Interdisciplinary Concentration and Certificate in Historic Preservation (ICCHP)** will provide a curriculum for students who pursue graduate degrees in any of the units of the college and want to further specialize in the greatly expanding field of historic preservation as it relates to architecture, building construction, interior design, landscape architecture or urban and regional planning. The objective of this new concentration will be to integrate existing historic preservation resources across DCP, and ultimately do so across the campus, in response to broadening interest in the field.

To achieve this objective, the DCP Historic Preservation Program Committee has established an interdisciplinary curriculum drawing upon existing coursework providing 12 credit hours (the equivalent of four courses) of specialized study in historic preservation. Students who graduate with the ICCHP will be experienced in the research and application of historic preservation in the United States and abroad including recognizing, documenting and protecting historic structures and sites; rehabilitation and restoration technologies; and emerging and related specializations such as community development and sustainable development.

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- ◆ **Children's Village Conference** – ARC professor Nina Hofer gave a presentation on the Domus/Reggio Collaboration at the Children's Village Conference in Clearwater this month. The conference featured presentations on aspects of child and neurosensory development and included the work of professionals who have studied issues involved in environmental design for young children. The conference included working group charrettes for the design of a village for young children. UF graduate Michael Halflants was one of the conference planners.
- ◆ **UF Community Campaign** – Congratulations to all DCP representatives and contributors to the 2003 University of Florida Community Campaign. We raised \$9,584.24 – an increase over the 2002 total of \$9,309.98! This year's UFCC raised \$878,084.86 for the 74 agencies in the campaign who depend on us to provide services and support to those in need in our community. A huge THANK YOU to our unit representatives for their efforts on behalf of the UFCC – Glenn

Acomb, Patty Barritt, Pam Cannon, Stanley Latimer, Mark McGlothlin, Dave Newport and Juanita Pelham. Also, thank you to Rebecca Graves, who served as DCP's coordinator, and to Marcia Bourdon, who represented DCP on the UFCC Steering Committee. Thank you to all for your willingness to go the extra mile to help others!

- ◆ **Florida Community Design Center** – The work of several DCP students is on display as part of the "Conservation and Recreation: Complements to Growth" exhibit now open at the Florida Community Design Center. The exhibit, which runs through Feb. 28, showcases a range of conservation and recreation projects in Alachua County, including the Lincoln Middle School/Williams Elementary School Park Project, the Ocala National Forest to Osceola National Forest Ecological Corridor Project and the Archer Community Center and Park Project. The exhibit is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lecture Series

Historic Preservation Lecture Series

The lecture series is sponsored by UF, DCP, Glatting, Jackson, Kercher, Anglin, Lopez, Rinehart, Inc. and Consortium for Urban Conservation in North America.

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Carol Shull, 6 p.m.

Carol Shull, Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places in Washington D.C., will present "The New National Register" at the Harn Museum of Art.

March 4

Consortium for Urban Conservation in North America Mini-Forum

David Covo, FRAIC, 2 p.m.

David Covo, FRAIC, Director of the School of Architecture at McGill University in Montreal, will present "Housing Design and Neighborhood Conservation in Historic Beijing" at the Harn Museum of Art.

Dr. Gabriel Merigo Basurto, 4:30 p.m.

Dr. Gabriel Merigo Basurto, Faculty of Architecture at Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, will present "Restoration of Metropolitan Cathedral of Mexico City" at the Harn Museum of Art.

Reception, 5:30 p.m.

A reception at the Harn Museum will follow Dr. Gabriel Merigo Basurto's lecture.

Susan Piedmont-Palladino, 6:30 p.m.

Susan Piedmont-Palladino, Associate Professor of Architecture at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, will present "Sustainability is Historic Preservation" at the Harn Museum of Art.

April 15

The Honorable Glenda Hood, 6 p.m.

Glenda Hood, Florida Secretary of State, will present "Preserving Florida's Heritage" at the Keene Faculty Center in Dauer Hall.

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Architecture Gallery

February 16-21

Architecture, Design Four

February 23-28

Architecture, Design Six

March 1-6

Architecture, Design Two

March 22-27

Landscape Architecture, LABASH Exhibit

March 29-April 3

Landscape Architecture

April 5-10

Architecture, Design Eight

April 12-17

Architecture, Graduate Design Two

April 19-24

Architecture, Spring Semester Review

Lecture Series

Conversations for a Sustainable Future – Greening UF's Global Leadership Series: "Sustainability and UF: How Well Are We Doing?"

Each presentation will be held in 238 Rinker Hall at noon. Join Greening UF for the 15 minute presentations during a brown bag lunch. Greening UF will provide the drinks. For more information, please email acpatel@ufl.edu or call (352) 273-1174.

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Wendell Chastain – Green Fleets Save Greenbacks

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Marc Van Soestbergen & Jeff Johnson – Energy, Carbon, and Clean UF

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Linda Dixon – NATL/Campus Master Plan

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Albert Krause – Recycling at UF

The next issue of *DCP News* will be distributed in February. Email submissions for the February issue to jsfrey@dcp.ufl.edu by February 13!