Wows within Student Success (WoWSS!)
Student Success Units (with acronyms) at the bottom.
Updates from the 2005-2006 Academic Year.

*Degrees Earned and Post-Graduate Studies*

May 2006 graduates from the University of Kansas – Bachelor’s degree recipients

  Eldad Balas (ATS)
  Bryan Easley (OSFA)
  Jessica Herkin (OSFA)
  Erica Hicks (OSFA)
  Carol Rudolph (OUR)

  Maria Salcedo (VPSS) is now attending KU School of Law.
  Matt Schoonover (VPSS)
  Kyle Stearns (SILC)
  Courtney Sullivan (CAPS)
  Julie Sullivan (CAPS)
  Zach Taylor (OSFA)
  Ben Thompson (ATS)

May 2006 graduates from the University of Kansas Graduate School

  Ben Kirby (OAS) graduated in May from KU with master’s of science.
  Jeff Vincent (OSFA) graduated in May from KU with a master’s of science.
May 2006 graduates from the University of Kansas School of Law

Greg Davey (LSS)
Alison Flores (LSS)
Rustin Kimmel (LSS)

May 2006 Degrees from other schools

Estella McCollum (Unions) earned her associate degree from Johnson County Community College.

Erin Michaelis (SILC) graduated in May with a master’s degree from Washburn University.

Tom Ryan (ATS) completed his Executive MBA at Benedictine College in May 2006.

Evelia Sandoval (DSH) was admitted to the Higher Education Administration program at KU.

December 2005 graduates from the University of Kansas

Heidi Karn (OSFA)

December 2005 graduates from the University of Kansas School of Law

David Hong (LSS) graduated in December from the KU School of Law.

December 2005 graduates from the University of Kansas Graduate School

Yibonka Beri Lainjo (OAS) graduated with a master’s of science.

*Awards and Kudos*

Doug Carter (DSH) was selected by the National Residence Hall Honorary as Employee of the Month.

KU Memorial Unions: Bill Corrigan, Mrs. E's; Michael Davis, The Market; Kuni Lieberman, GSP Dining; and Lee Lohka, KU Catering and The Market Sous Chef; were selected to participate in KU Dining's first Culinary Institute year-long program.
Michael Davis (Unions) completed his first year certification requirements from JCCC in the Culinary Arts program and was selected as the display chef for the new Fresco! Cuisine opened fall 2006 in The Market.

Shannon Gordon (Unions) Assistant manager for service at The Market, Shannon completed KU HR’s S.T.E.P. program.

Sarah Hayner (DSH) has been selected as the DSH Employee of the Quarter.

Moe Hendley (DSH) was promoted from GMRT to GMRT Senior.

Mrs. E's Outstanding Team Member award recipients: Chris Rafferty (Unions), Rebecca Sowders (Unions), Judy Todd (Unions), Derrick Zerngast (Unions).

Student Health Services, under the leadership of Henry William Buck, a retired gynecologist, served as one of 17 testing sites for the vaccine against Human Papillomavirus 16, one of the high-risk cancer-causing types of virus. Sixty students served as subjects during the four-year research project (excerpt from KU News Release, June 27, 2006)

Bruce Scoular (Unions) will serve as an instructor for KU Dining's Culinary Institute program.

Nicole Tobin (LSS) is doing a summer internship with Stumbo, Hanson & Hendricks, LLP law firm in Topeka.

Professional Presentations

Mark Anderson, Moira Ozias, and Dan Watson (KU Writing Center) co-presented at the 2005 International Writing Centers Association Conference, October 2005, Minneapolis, MN.

Joanne Hickey (SIS) along with Star Straf (SIS) presented Upgrading to Campus Solutions 8.9 - finding our way through security at the 2006 Alliance Conference in Nashville, Tennessee in March.

Chris Johnson (SIS) along with Star Straf (SIS) presented Enhanced Self-Service Award Acceptance at the 2006 Alliance Conference.

Lisa Kress (OAS) served as Chair-Elect for the Kansas ACT Council.

Ashley Marriott (OAS) held the office of Programs and Sessions Chair for the Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling Annual Conference.

Rueben Perez (SILC) presented Consultant in Residence for the annual Kansas Student Affairs Conference (KSAC), in Salina, KS, in October 2005. He also presented Master Teacher for the annual Association of Fraternity Advisors annual meeting, Atlanta, GA, December, 2005.
Gail Sherron (OAS) was the Secretary for the Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling.


Cheryl Wiley (Union) is the Editor for the Kansas Dietetic Association newsletter.

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**Professional Involvement**

Jason Arnett (Unions) was selected as a National Association of College and University Food Services Leadership Institute participant.

Laura Bauer (SILC) serves as the Chair of Diversity Initiatives committee, Association of Fraternity Advisors.

Laura Burrows (DSH) is the Kansas Membership Coordinator for the NASPA (National Association of Student Personnel Administrators) IV-West.

Teresa Clounch (DSH) is serving as the State Program Chair for Leadership Kansas 2006 Program Leadership Kansas, a statewide program that was designed to enhance and motivate future leaders from various Kansas communities.

Dan Consolver (ATS) with golf partners, Dave Gardner (KU Information Services) and Gary Ott (WSU) placed second in the CHECK (Conference on Higher Education Computing in Kansas) golf tournament this spring.

Stephanie Covington (OSFA) is serving as the KASFAA (Kansas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators) Publicity & Awareness Committee Chair, 2006-07.

Elizabeth Ferris (Unions) is a member of the College and University Food Service Premier Committee.

Andre Fortune (OAS) co-presented the following: *Balancing Family, Work, School and Oh Yeah the Rest of Your Life?!* at the Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling in April 2006; *Student to Student: Utilizing Current Students to Effectively Recruit Prospective Students: Introducing the KU Multicultural Recruitment Team* at the Symposium on the Recruitment & Retention of Students of (continued)
Color in April 2006; and *HAWK Link: Developing an Inclusive Retention Program for First Year Students of Color* at the Symposium on the Recruitment & Retention of Students of Color in April 2006.

**Anne Flaherty** (VPSS) co-chaired the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) conference in Breckenridge, Colorado, November 2006.

**Nona Golledge** (Unions) was sworn in as the president of NACUFS Midwest Region.

**Eric Grospitch** (DSH) is the Regional Membership Services Coordinator for NASPA IV-West and the 2006 NASPA Mid-Level Institute Co-chair.

**Chris Johnson** (OSFA) will serve as the KASFAA (Kansas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators) Newsletter Committee Chair, 2006-07.

**Mark Maranell** (Unions) Manager at Mrs. E's/The Studio, Mark was selected as a National Association of College and University Food Services Financial Management Institute participant.

**Santos Núnez** (OMA) is the Latino/a Knowledge Community Chair for the NASPA IV-West board.

**Mandy Peterson** (OSFA) is serving as the KASFAA Treasurer (Kansas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators).

**Aaron Quisenberry** (SILC) served on the NASPA Region IV Conference Committee, Publicity and Promotions Chair, November 2006.

**Ruth Stoner** (VPSS) is the NASPA IV-West Historian. She attended the summer planning meeting in June in Breckenridge, Colorado.

**Kyle Stearns** (SILC) was chosen for a Chancellor Award--the Agnes Wright Strickland Award.

**Kathryn Nemeth Tuttle** (VPSS) will chair a new NASPA History Advisory Committee.

**Publications**

**Moira Ozias** (KU Writing Center) wrote with Brian Fallon (IUP), "Top 10 Reasons Summer Institute is like Summer Camp (or 'Toward a Higher Risk/Higher Yield Model of Camp WC')", in *Writing Lab Newsletter*, June 2005.
**Community Service Involvement**

Big Brothers and Big Sisters, “Bigs in School” participants: Laura Bauer (SILC), Jamie Ehlinger (SILC), Megan Hill (OAS), Ashley Marriot (OAS), Claudia Mercado (OAS), Rueben Perez (SILC).

Dan Consolver (ATS) with Ronda (wife) and children (Kyle and Kelsey) staffed an Alex's Lemonade Stand at Hy-Vee on 6th Street on June 11, 2006. Alex's stand raises money for research on childhood cancer [picture on next page]. Dan and his family also Bowled for Kids Sake this spring, raising over $1,000 to benefit the Douglas County Big Brothers Big Sisters program.

Teresa Clounch (DSH) serves on the TFI Family Services Board of Directors. TFI Family Services is a state-wide, not-for-profit child care agency based in Emporia, Kansas.

Nancy Espinosa (CAPS) A staff social worker, Nancy served as the Parent Coordinator for the Pinckney Elementary School Spanish Club. This program is operated in conjunction with KU Latin American Studies and is sponsored in part by a federal grant to promote community-based programs for children in schools. She is also a charter member of the Douglas County Latino Community Coalition. The purpose of the group is to identify the needs of the developing Spanish speaking community with regard to health, mental health, education, social services, and community support. She is also a member of the Douglas County Emergency Preparedness Mental Health Team.

Kip Grosshans (DSH) met with the senior/honors business classes at Lawrence High School in April to talk about public sector business practices via the DECCA program.

Anne Kratz (SIS) runs concessions and assisted in the opening two new buildings at her son’s high school in Iowa. She is also a volunteer for the Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa.

Barb Smith (CAPS) is a regular participant in the Link Kitchen. Barb also participates in the Friendly Visitor program that provides assistance to seniors, persons with disabilities, and others who need help with maintaining their homes.

A Student Success Team participated in the KU Relay for Life held at Memorial Stadium, May 5. Members of the "Stickin' it to Cancer" team raised $1000 for the American Cancer Society Heartland Division. Team members include Mary Chappell (KU Recreation Services), Jeannie Doering (VPSS), Michele Kessler (LSS), Rueben Perez (SILC), Marlesa Roney (VPSS), and Kristen Scott (AAAC). The team also won award for the “Best Campsite”!
**Promotions**

Laura Burrows (DSH) has begun a 1-year appointment as an Assistant Director in Residence Life.

Frank DeSalvo (VPSS) has left the position of Director of Counseling and Psychological Services and accepted the position of Associate Vice Provost for Student Success, May 2006.

Heidi Karn (OSFA) was promoted to Financial Aid Counselor (following undergraduate years as an OSFA Student Peer Advisor).

Lee Lojka (Unions) is transitioning to Assistant Manager for Production at The Market.

Estella McCollum (Unions) has taken on additional responsibilities of maintaining our POS and ePOS database and implementing process improvements to improve system performance.

Steve Morlan (DSH) was promoted from carpenter to senior carpenter.

Melissa Rice (Unions) received her ServSafe certification and was promoted to Lead Cashier at The Market.

Joan Weaver (OSFA) was promoted to Associate Director.

Mike Wright (DSH) was promoted from GMRT to GMRT Senior.

John Whittington (Unions) was promoted to Supervisor II at The Underground.

**Fond Farewells**

Melissa Beisel (DSH) accepted an Assistant Director position with Pittsburg State University and began her new position on May 1.

Michele Eodice (KU Writing Center) left KU (May 2006) to become the Director of the Writing Center and Director of Writing Across the Curriculum Associate Director, Instructional Development Program at the University of Oklahoma.

Antwione Haywood (DSH) has accepted a position at Drexel University.

Cathy Janssen (VPSS) left VPSS in May to begin her Pharmacy School rotations over the course of the next year.
Ross Jungers (DSH) has accepted a position at St. Olaf University.

Zach Kendra (DSH) accepted a position at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Rich Morrell (VPSS) left KU (May 2006) to become the Vice President of Student Affairs at Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, Missouri.

Ken Stoner (DSH) left KU (March 2006) to become the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Executive Director of University Housing at the University of Tennessee at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Chad Theisen (DSH) has accepted a position at the Campus Ministry, Lawrence, KS.

Jeff Vincent (OSFA) has accepted a position as Financial Aid Coordinator at the Kansas City Art Institute.

*Student Success Units*

- Academic Achievement and Access Center (AAAC)
- Academic Technology Services (ATS)
- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
  - Testing Service
- Department of Student Housing (DSH)
- Freshman-Sophomore Advising Center (FSAC)
- Hilltop Child Development Program (Hilltop)
- KU Info
- KU Memorial Unions (Unions)
- KU Recreation Services
- KU Writing Center
- Legal Services for Students (LSS)
- New Student Orientation (NSO)
- Office of Admissions and Scholarships (OAS)
- Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA)
  - Multicultural Resource Center (MRC)
- Office of Student Financial Aid (OSFA)
- Office of the University Registrar (OUR)
- Student Health Services (SHS)
- Student Information Systems (SIS)
- Student Involvement and Leadership Center (SILC)
  - Emily Taylor Women’s Resource Center (ETWRC)
- University Career Center (UCC)