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## Educational Development Program

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#### From The Director

Greetings!

As another successful academic semester is completed, I am reminded each and every day of the importance of the Educational Development Program striving to inspire its students by providing the motivation, access, and resources for students to reach their full potential. This year's EDP theme, *Shaping Opportunities into Accomplishments*, reflects the emphasis that EDP has placed on its students to find their passion, develop and strengthen that passion, and utilize the available resources to ultimately achieve their personal goals.

I am extremely proud of our 116 students and their achievements. Having improved in a number of key areas, I am equally appreciative of the efforts of the EDP staff as we assisted 19 EDP students, including 8 first-year students, in being named to the fall 2013 Dean's List (minimum 3.30 semester GPA) and 36 students, including 16 first-year students, in achieving a minimum 3.0 GPA. It is with great satisfaction to find that 76% of our program students are in good academic standing. Additionally, EDP students continue to go above and beyond by serving as campus leaders, community service volunteers, student-athletes, and visual and performing artists.

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Snowy December night outside Cranston Marche dining hall (picture by President Virginia Horvath)

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#### 32nd ANNUAL EDP AWARDS CEREMONY TO BE HELD MARCH 12

The Educational Development Program will host its 32nd Annual Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, March 12, 2014, in the Horizon Room of the Williams Center at 4 p.m. Faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and students are invited

to attend this annual event. The ceremony is an opportunity for EDP to recognize EDP students' academic achievements. EDP students who earned a minimum grade point average of 2.7 while completing 12 credits or more for the

S'13 and/or F'13 semesters will receive certificates. Silver certificates will be presented to students with a 2.70-3.29 GPA and gold certificates to students with a 3.30-4.00 GPA. Special



awards include Exemplary Service, Distinguished Alumni, Outstanding EDP Tutor of the Year, Community Service, Arthur O. Eve Scholarship, Gregory Antonio Scholarship, and Director's Award. *SEE RELATED ARTICLES ON PAGE 8.* 

Also on March 12 will be the <u>Chi Alpha Epsilon</u> (XAE) national honor society induction. Eligible opportunity program students must be full-time and maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.00 for two consecutive semesters. Congratulations go out to EDP's 2014 XAE inductees:

- **♦** Emmanuel Guzman
- **♦** Jelissa Lebron
- ♦ Krystal Lebron
- **♦** Brittany Matthews

There are tentatively nine <u>Full Opportunity Program</u> (<u>FOP</u>) students who may be eligible for induction. Fredonia's XAE Alpha Mu chapter was chartered in October 1999 and as of spring 2013 had 172 inductees made up of students from FOP and EDP.

#### RALPH WILSON BOOK AWARD RECIPIENTS

Recipients of the fall 2013 Ralph Wilson Book Award were **Tara Courtney, Christian Figueroa,** and **Michelle Olesko**. Each award was in the amount of \$275. **Tara** (pictured top right) is a senior Visual Arts and





New Media/Photography major from Amherst. **Christian** (pictured with Mr. White) is a senior Social Work major from Dunkirk. **Michelle** (pictured below) is a F'13 graduate Psychology major from Getzville.

The initial endowment of \$25,000 was creat-

ed in spring of 2000 by the Ralph Wilson, Jr., Foundation to assist EDP students with book and other college expenses. Applicants must submit a 300 word essay as well as a list of their accomplishments and community service activities. The essay, academic merit, and economic need are reviewed by the



EDP counseling staff. This award is offered each semester.

#### EDP CULTURAL CONNECTIONS PROJECT

Annually, the campus's <u>Faculty Student Association</u> (FSA) supports various university activities that enhance the educational and/or cultural experiences of the campus community. The FSA funds are to be used for purposes that will benefit

the principal educational mis-



sion and goals of SUNY Fredonia. The FSA Board of Directors reviews requests for support in March of each year for the following June 1-May 31. EDP has submitted a request for these funds since 2007 and we have been very fortunate to have received a total of \$13,500 over seven years. Through the FSA grant, we are able to fund our alumni speakers series and other special receptions, honor society induction, annual awards ceremony, on and off campus theatre/music/cultural events, community service, and summer orientation cultural excursions, among other things. These events are well attended and unify EDP's students and staff with a greater sense of togetherness and pride for EDP.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION

Each semester EDP offers Supplemental Instruction (SI) courses for its students. These SI classes help EDP students develop analytical, quantitative, and problem solving abilities; communication proficiencies; and study and test taking skills necessary to successfully master course material. SI courses are linked to College Core Curriculum courses and expose first-year students to introductory courses in a variety of academic fields. Courses are credit bearing and taught in a small group setting by the parent course instructor. Research has found this environment conducive for learning and retention of course material and encourages student participation in classes. Two sections of Biology Study Skills were offered for the fall and one section will be offered for the spring. It is taught by **Dr. Bruce Tomlinson**, Associate Professor of Biology.



## TUTORING SERVICES <u>AVAILABLE</u>

EDP tutoring services were extremely busy for the fall 2013 semester. If any EDP students are having difficulties in a course, or wish to have a better understanding of course material, they may

sign up for one-on-one assigned tutoring or go to drop-in tutoring hours in the Learning Center. Tutors are all current university students who are available to EDP from the College Tutoring Services (CTS). A day-long orientation for all tutors was conducted at the College Lodge on September 7, 2013, and a spring training will be on February 1. Tutoring should not be held off until the last minute. Students should contact their EDP counselor and fill out a tutee application or go to the Learning Center on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of Reed Library for tutoring assistance.

#### **EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT**

In 2001 Campus Labs (formerly StudentVoice) was formed to collect information from students that could be



used to impact programs and services. Campus Labs is utilized by over

650 campuses, coordinating assessment on every level.

Each semester EDP surveys tutors, tutees, graduating seniors, SI Biology class participants, and the EDP Orientation class via CampusLabs. Each spring counseling surveys are sent to all EDP students. Results are assessed by the EDP staff and used to enhance student services. EDP also sends fourth week evaluations to each student's professors. The feedback provided by instructors in advance of ninth week mid-semester grades, informs the counselors regarding attendance, participation, and academic progress. This information assists in providing timely advice and guidance to students regarding the individual level of engagement necessary to be successful in the classroom.

#### DATES

Jan 27—First Day of Classes

**Feb 3**—Tutoring Starts in Learning Center and EDP

• Feb 4—Final Day to Add Courses

Feb 5—EDP General Meeting/Alumni Speaker Series S204ABC Williams Center, 4 pm

**Feb 7**—Final Day to Elect PASS/FAIL

Feb 7-21 – Ralph Wilson Book Award applications available; due noon 2/21

Feb 10 – EDP Evening StudyHall Hours Start

**Feb 10**—Final Day to Apply for May Graduation

Feb 15—Basketball Reception— WEAR YOUR EDP T-SHIRT—3 pm, Steele Room, Steele Hall

Mar 11—EDP General Meeting/Alumni Speaker Series—S204ABC Williams Center, 4 pm

Mar 12—Chi Alpha Epsilon Induction and EDP Awards Ceremony, Horizon Rm/WmsC, 4 pm

• Mar 17-21—NO CLASSES—Spring Break

• Mar 26—Mid-semester Grades Due

Mar 31-Apr 4 — Advising Week Fall 2014

**Apr 4**—Final Day to Withdraw from Courses

• Apr 7—Fall 2014 Registration Begins

Apr 21—NO CLASSES—Travel Day

**Apr 28**—Final Day to Completely Withdraw from the University

• May 9—Last Day of Classes

May 12-16—Final Exams

May 17—Commencement

• May 21—Final Grades Due

July 10-25—<u>TENTATIVE</u>—JEWEL—July EDP Workshop for Expanded Learning

Aug 25—First Day of Classes F'14

• **Sept 1**—NO CLASSES—Labor Day

Oct 9-10—NO CLASSES—Fall Break

Nov 24-28—NO CLASSES—Thanksgiving Break

• Dec 15-19—Final Examinations

Campus calendars may be found on-line.

# Trails For Daytime Use Only RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT

## EDP COMMUNITY SERVICE—BEAUTIFY THE CAMPUS WOODLOT AND HELP PICK UP LITTER

This fall's annual EDP <u>community service project</u> took place on September 11, 2013. This date was picked as part of the September 11th National Day of Service and Remem-

brance

called "Forever Wild" and annual Halloween event "Terror in the Trees" takes place and also where many people can get in touch with nature.

PLEASE DO NOT

Once per semester, EDP sponsors a litter pick up in the on-campus woodlot near Thompson Hall the surrounding areas. The woods is where the

Plastic gloves and gar-

bage bags are provided to all volunteers, often made up of EDP students, faculty and staff, community members, and other campus students. All names are sent to Volunteer and Community Services to receive official credit and entered into a prize drawing for an FSA gift card. The spring's annual EDP litter pick in the

woodlot will be during Earth Week (approximately 4/21-25/14).

Thanks go to Fredonia's Facilities Services/Grounds Crew for picking up our full bags of trash (middle picture).

EDP Director David White; EDP Secretary Barbara Yochym; Alexis Williams (FR, Liberal Arts, Buffalo), Kenneth Dawson (SR, Sport Management, Poughkeepsie); Natasha Kundrat (FR, Liberal Arts, Brooklyn); Shannon Boyle (FR, Criminal Justice, Kings Park); Kemi Balogun (FR, Political Science, Long Island City); EDP Counselor Janet Knapp; Shaiann Simpson (FR, Biology, Uniondale)



#### 2013 WALLACE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The fourth annual Wallace Scholarship was presented to **Ms. Alexis Fores** (pictured to the left with EDP Director David White) and **Mr. Domonick Pitts** (pictured to the right) in September. Ms. Fores is a senior, Communication-Journalism major from Fredonia. She has been on the Dean's List, a work-study for various campus offices, served as treasurer for Spectrum Entertainment Board, was inducted into Chi Alpha Epsilon (XAE) 2011, a peer advisor for EDP's 2013 JEWEL (July EDP Workshop for Expanded Learning), and is an EDP study hall proctor. Mr. Pitts is a junior, Interdisciplinary Studies: Exercise Science



major, Athletic Coaching minor, from Buffalo. Being very involved on campus, Domonick participates in Buffalo News Kids Day, Homecoming, Fall Sweep, Little Sibs Weekend, and, a particular favorite of his, Multicultural Weekend. He has held numerous working positions on campus including his current job as a supervisor in the <u>Ticket Office</u>, EDP study hall proctor, dorm night desk attendant, 2013 <u>summer orientation assistant</u>, and, for the past four semesters, a <u>Resident Assistant</u> in a first-year, male residence hall.

Applicants for the Wallace Scholarship are EDP students in good academic standing (minimum 2.50 CUM GPA) who have earned a minimum of 50 credit hours, have a minimum of one semester remaining after receiving the scholarship, and demonstrate evidence of campus and program leadership. A 500-600 word essay is required which is to include a description of successes and challenges while at Fredonia and how EDP has been instrumental in achieving such goals. The EDP staff recommends students to the scholarship committee consisting of Emma McFayden '76, Keith McFayden '77, Dr. Sherryl Weems '76, Dr. Jawaan Wallace, and Dr. Jeffrey J. Wallace '68. The EDP staff will select the next set of nominees in March 2014 with the scholarship being presented in August 2014. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$500.



#### PREPARATION FOR "JEWEL" 2014

The Educational Development Program sponsors a **first-year student workshop** (JEWEL—July EDP Workshop for Expanded Learning) designed to acquaint new students with the EDP staff and participate in enrichment activities to prepare them for their college experience. *The 2014 JEWEL is TENTATIVE-LY scheduled for July 10-25.* 

Students arrive on campus for the university's twoday new student orientation (July 10-11). Here they are introduced to the university, its faculty, staff, and services. There is also a specialized orientation for parents. During these two days students meet with an

advisor and register for their fall 2014 classes in addition to attending presentations on topics such as financial aid, the billing process, and on-campus services. Details on the 2014 university's new student orientation will be available soon online at <a href="https://www.fredonia.edu/orientation">www.fredonia.edu/orientation</a> from the Campus Life Office/Orientation, Advising, and Registration, 716-673-3276.

Once students complete the university's orientation, they remain on campus for JEWEL where workshops include:

- An introduction to the philosophy, goals, policies, and procedures of the Educational Development Program in order to help the student become more familiar with the EDP Family.
- A discussion of the policies and procedures governing financial assistance to help the student gain a better understanding of the financial assistance available to the student and how to utilize them.
- A review of academic policies and expectations of the college to help the student become familiar and connected to Fredonia State.
- Descriptions of various administrative and academic departmental offices and key personnel which will give the student an extra edge as they begin their college career.
- Academic advisement to allow the student extra time to get to know their EDP counselor and how the counselor can aid and support the student.
- Team building activities, field trips, and leadership courses.
- Courses in math, writing, science, and public speaking.

JEWEL is the first step of the on-going process that will help EDP students excel in their academic standing. The July workshop is found to give students a better idea of why they are here and what must be accomplished to be successful.

Guiding these new first-year students are current EDP students who serve as JEWEL peer advisors; graduate interns; and instructors in math, writing, science, and public speaking. Guest speakers' top-



ics range from civic engagement, campus technology, Learning Center and the benefits of receiving tutoring, and Campus Life and leadership. EDP first-year students continue their intensive study skills work with EDP's orientation class in the fall and spring semesters. These courses are taught by EDP's counselors.

The fee, meal, and lodging costs during the orientation are covered for each student by contributions from Fredonia State and a grant from the Office of Opportunity Programs in Albany. It is **mandatory** that all new EDP first-years attend both the university's orientation and JEWEL.

Pictured above and to the right are the 31 2013 JEWEL participants and staff. Details about <u>2014 JEWEL will be on</u> EDP's website.

#### **2014 EDP RECRUITMENT**

EDP's recruitment initiatives begin in November with the EDP staff sending acknowledgment packets to each of our applicants and will continue while students submit the necessary documentation and ulti-



mately pay their deposits. EDP admission will close once our target enrollment is reached.

We urge

all applicants to call with any questions or concerns regarding our <u>EDP admission requirements</u>. Seating for the <u>2014 entering class</u> is limited and it is essential that all required documentation be submitted as soon as possible.

The applicant information packet from EDP includes a <u>welcome letter</u>, <u>list of documents needed</u>, and a <u>yellow postcard</u>. In order to continue the application process, applicants <u>MUST</u> return the yellow postage paid card to us within two weeks of receiving it

Once the yellow postcard is returned to Admissions, applicants will receive a letter from the Admissions Office requesting additional information to complete the application. Please forward the items listed as soon as possible to SUNY Fredonia's Admissions Office, Fenner House, 178 Central Avenue, Fredonia, NY 14063. Items needed to complete an application are:

- ♦ high school transcript or GED
- ♦ Eligibility Information Form PDF (81kb)
- ♦ SAT and/or ACT test scores
- personal interview with the EDP director or counselor
- two letters of recommendation (e.g., from a guidance counselor, teacher, club leader, employer, etc.)
- autobiographical essay (relate life circumstances which you feel make you a good candidate for EDP)
- income verification (e.g., **signed** copies of the **2013 federal** parents' taxes and student's taxes (if filed) including W-2 forms)
- if taxes are not filed, then a social security statement, social services statement, etc., will need to be submitted see Question #8 on the Eligibility

Information Form for more details

• if public assistance is received, please complete and submit the <u>Public Assistance Benefits Verification</u>
<u>Form</u> – (286kb)

Contact **Ms. Erica Arlequin,** Admissions counselor/ EDP liaison at <a href="mailto:Erica.Arlequin@fredonia.edu">Erica.Arlequin@fredonia.edu</a> or 716/673-3251 or 1-800-252-1212 with any application questions or visit EDP's website—<a href="mailto:Fall 2014 Applicant Info">Fall 2014 Applicant Info</a>. Applicants should also check out the <a href="mailto:interactive video tour of the campus">interactive video tour of the campus</a>.

#### **FROM THE DIRECTOR**—continued from page 1

I will conclude with acknowledging that EDP could not sustain this level of success without the continued support of the Fredonia campus community; EDP alumni, families, and friends; and our colleagues throughout SUNY. It truly takes a village.

All the best for a prosperous and healthy 2014.

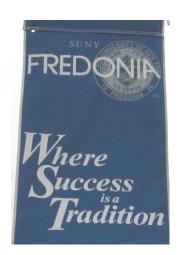


David M. White, EDP Director

#### F'13 DEAN'S LIST

3.30 or higher semester average

Darlene Cruz Kenneth Dawson Ashley Ellis Alexis Fores Mary Gagola Michelle Guilford Emmanuel Guzman Michelle Inga Rachael James Jelissa Lebron Krystal Lebron Sammantha Nickel Domonick Pitts Kimberly Reynolds Chabely Rodriguez Jose Rosario Maimouna Sylla Kimberly Thomas Tamika Whittick



#### **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

Throughout each semester an EDP student(s) is featured in <u>Student Spotlight</u> on EDP's website. In fall 2013 the August edition showcased the 2013 Dr. Jeffrey

J. Wallace Scholarship recipients

Alexis Fores and Domonick Pitts.



October's issue presented two recent graduates, Marcus B. Anderson and David M. Chatterton. "Opportunity Beyond the Bachelor's Degree" highlighted utilizing

the EOP Graduate Tuition Waiver.

Artistic creativity was the focus in December featuring two of EDP's imaginative and inventive students, **Rebecca Chatterton** and **Brittany Matthews**, who are both pursuing Bachelor of Art degrees in Visual Arts and New Media.

New features will be added throughout spring 2014. The Student Spotlight is coordinated by EDP counselor Janet Knapp.

#### EDP ALUMNI UPDATE

- ➤ Shakira Mayne ('12/Criminal Justice) is completing her last semester of graduate work at Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, in the Public Administration program.
- ► Brian Carroll ('11/History) was in town from NYC and stopped in to



say hi. He received his master's from Adelphia University and is now a teacher in the NYC area.

- ► Jacob Valla ('09/Comm Disorders and Sciences) is now stationed in Japan with the military.
- ► **Gabrielle Kelly** ('12/Criminal Justice) is a people accountant for the Restart Academy in the NYC area and is doing well.
- ► Amanda Tobin ('12/Social Work) has relocated to Texas and is working at a health care facility.

#### GRADUATE OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

► Educational Development Program/EDP (also known state-wide as the Educational Opportunity Program/EOP) undergraduates benefit from a variety of <u>support services</u> (academic advising, financial aid, computer lab, supplemental instruction, summer orientation, orientation class, etc.). As graduates of EDP/EOP, they qualify for the

EOPGOP. The EOP Graduate Opportunity Program provides financial assistance to cover tuition to EOP graduates undertaking graduate study at a participating SUNY graduate and/or professional institution when attending full-time. Students must apply and be admitted to a participating campus prior to approval of Graduate Opportunity Program funding. Documentation of a student's prior status as an opportunity program student is also required. Students who are interested in graduate study are encouraged to consult with their undergraduate program director. Early application to the campus of choice is encouraged as funding may be limited.

#### Applicants must be:

- New York State residents
- Graduates of SUNY's Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) or of City University of New York's Search for Education, Elevation, and Knowledge (SEEK) Program or of the Higher Educational Opportunity Program (HEOP) conducted by private colleges
- Accepted into a master's program (matriculated) and registered as full-time students

#### **Applicants must:**

- Complete the <u>Certification of Participation form</u> and have it signed by the institution granting the bachelor's degree
- File a FAFSA renewal

For fall 2013 two recent graduates benefitted from participation in the EOPGOP. Read about **Marcus B. Anderson** and **David M. Chatterton** in the <u>archived Student Spotlight</u>.

Please send any alumni news to Barbara. Yochym@fredonia.edu.

#### **CPR/AED TRAINING FOR EDP STUDENTS**

EDP is offering CPR/AED (cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated external defibrillator) training for its students. Two trainings will be held in February lead by staff from Environmental Health & Safety. Funds from



EDP's FSA grant will cover the instruction fees. "SUNY System Administration has transitioned to the American Heart Association for CPR/AED training. Fredonia's facilitators have acquired American Heart Association credentialing," said EHS director Anne Podolak. **Nayla Kabir** (FR, Business Admin, Bronx) has already taken the course and said, "It was great. I will get my card in 2 weeks. Thank you to EDP for making it possible for me to take this instruction."

#### <u>KEVIN AND SATORIA DONOVAN NAMED</u> <u>2014 EDP DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI</u>

**Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Donovan** are being named as EDP's 2014 Distinguished Alumni. They will be recognized at the 32nd Annual EDP Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, March 12, 4 pm, Horizon Room, Williams Center.

A Buffalo native, **Satoria (Polk) Donovan** graduated in 1996 with a degree in psychology. She continued her

education at D'Youville where she earned a master's in Special Education. She is an educator with the Buffalo Public Schools and is currently a special education consultant teacher at the Academy School where she works with over-aged and under-privileged youth who have encountered many adversities. Elected 2010 Business Woman of the Year by the Minority Bar Association of Western New York, Satoria recently earned her administration certification through Canisius College.



Satoria Donovan

A Syracuse native, **Kevin Donovan** graduated with a bachelor's degree in Political Science in 1994 and a master's degree in English in 1996. While at Fredonia Kevin served as his class president and played on the Blue Devil basketball team. He started his career journey as a finan-

cial representative at AXA Equitable. Within four years he was named regional vice president. In 2006 Kevin ventured into the financial world of ownership as an independent financial representative. Today Kevin is the cofounder and director of the Benefits Consulting Group (BCG), a growing financial services organization in Western New York and



Kevin and Satoria Donovan

Rochester area where he and his group of 8 are financially impacting over 300 new homes per year. He gives thanks to his broker dealer Mass Mutual, the Urban League, Bethel Headstart, and Buffalo's board of education for being pillars of opportunity in the community. He has served on the board for the Buffalo Zoological Gardens, is a member of LEWAC (Lasting Education for Women, Adults, and Children), is active in the Zion Dominion Church of God in Christ, and coaches little league football and basketball.

The Donovans are co-founders of <u>Urban Professionals</u> of <u>WNY</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, where area professionals gather for networking and communicate about mentoring students from

age 16 through college age, as well as Eternal Euphoria, LLC, and Milk Productions. Satoria and Kevin reside in the Buffalo area with their three children.

**EDP's DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD** is presented to a graduate of SUNY Fredonia's Educational Development Program who has accomplished personal and career goals and demonstrated a commitment to leadership and academic excellence.

#### **ALUMNI SPEAKER SERIES**

The Donovans will also participate in the EDP Alumni Speaker Series. The EDP Alumni Speaker Series provides a platform for EDP graduates to motivate and inspire students from a program and campus that have had a significant impact on shaping their lives. In addition to providing a means for current EDP students and other members of our campus community to interact with our EDP Alumni, the event serves the purpose of highlighting the important work and success stories of our EDP alumni in varying fields. These special individuals continue to epitomize what it means to go "Above and Beyond."

Mrs. Donovan will speak on February 5 and Mr. Donovan will speak on March 11. These events will be during the EDP General Meetings, 4 pm, S204ABC Williams Center. The campus community is welcome to this series.

## FACILITIES SERVICES TO RECEIVE EDP'S 2014 EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARD

Each year during EDP's Annual Awards Ceremony an **EXEMPLARY SERVICE AWARD** is presented to recognize the support and dedication of those who have been instrumental in helping EDP accomplish its mission. These contributions and commitments assist EDP in go-

ing "Above and Beyond." The 2014 Exem-



plary Service award will be presented to SUNY Fredonia's Facilities Services. Under the Finance and Administration branch of the university, Facilities Services includes over 130 staff members in the custodial, electrical, grounds, plumbing, structural trades, and heating/ventilation services; and capital projects, mechanical systems, and facilities technology areas. The director is Mr. Kevin Cloos. EDP is appreciative for all the behind-thescenes help that Facilities Services provides with our EDP Litter Pick Up, help from all of our hall custodians, keeping the whole campus running, and maintaining the beautiful grounds. The 32nd Annual EDP Awards Ceremony will be on Wednesday, March 12, 4 pm, Horizon Room, Williams Center.

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO FALL '13 EDP GRADS

- **♦**Ashley Ellis
- **♦**Mary Gagola
- **♦**Cordell Jacobs
- ♦Ivo Margic
- **♦Michelle Olesko**



- **♦Lorenzo Parnell**
- **♦Kimberly Thomas**

#### DEDICATED COMPUTER LAB/ STUDY HALL FOR EDP STUDENTS

The EDP computer lab is located across the corridor from EDP staff offices. The eight terminals are maintained by the campus's <u>Information Technology Services (ITS)</u>. Student may also certainly use the many other <u>open computer labs</u> across campus.

This computer lab is also one of the locations where required study hall takes place. Study hall is one part of EDP's student support services, providing a structured study time for first-year students, students currently on academic probation, and those nearing academic risk. Students may complete their study hall hours in the EDP computer lab during the day or during evening hours in designated classrooms. Upperclass EDP students monitor the evening study halls.

"These study sessions provide our students with the opportunity to complete homework assignments, write papers, and prepare for exams in an environment that is free of distractions and conducive to improving their academic standing. Regardless of whether students are obligated to attend, we encourage all of our students to take advantage of study hall," said EDP Director David White.

Students are reminded that the computer lab and study hall sessions are a quiet area.

#### **BASKETBALL RECEPTION**

EDP staff and students will be <u>gathering</u> for a pre-game and half-time reception between the <u>men's and women's</u> <u>basketball game</u> on Saturday, February 15. Pre-game reception will go from 3 pm until the men's game against SUNY Brockport starts at 4 pm. Half-time reception will



start at approximately 4:40 and run for 15 minutes. The reception will be in the Robert Steele multi-purpose room in Steele Hall. Everyone is urged to wear their EDP t-shirt to show program unity. A limited number of t-shirts will be available at the reception. Refreshments will be served. The <a href="women's game">women's game</a> begins at 2 pm. EDP students involved with Blue Devil basketball are: Sabrina Macaulay (SO, Early & Childhood Edu-Soc Studies, Newark), Conley Carter (SR, Sociology, Corning), Anthony Colquitt (SO, Sport Management, Rochester), and Xavier Mann (SO, Sport Management, Appleton).

#### FIRST-YEAR ORIENTATION CLASS

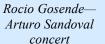
All first-year students are enrolled in EDP's Orientation classes (fall SPST 127 and spring SPST 147). This is a two-part series with Part I offered in the fall and Part II offered in the spring. These courses of study are designed to help program students better understand what college life is all about, while helping students to move toward their future goals. Concepts from the "First-Year Experience" are also brought into the classroom. Topics range from learning styles, time and money management, financial aid, research paper writing, dealing with stress and anxiety, and writing a resume. The EDP orientation class is co-taught by the EDP counselors Ms. Janet Knapp and Ms. Rachel Skemer.

#### CURRENT STUDENT HAPPENINGS

★During legendary trumpeter <u>Arturo</u> Sandoval's visit to SUNY Fredonia, **Dan**-

ielle Dean (FR, Social Work, Dunkirk) played her sax with the Dunkirk HS jazz band at the Sandoval meet-and-





Girls club 11/10. \*Pictured to the left is Rocio Gosende (JR/Interdisciplinary Studies, Fredonia) who sang at Sandoval's master class and concert 11/11. \*Kimberly Thomas (F'13 grad, Visual Arts & New Media, Buffalo) had her art show 11/1-8. \*Kalif Crutcher (SO, Social Work, Buffalo) is the admissions peer advisor intern.

greet at the Dunkirk Boys &

**★Patrick McDonnell** (SR, psychology, Fredonia) has become a campus tour guide.

**★Paul Overturf** (SO, sociolo-

gy, Dunkirk) was awarded the NY State Community Action Personal Achievement Award for his work with Tilt House in Dunkirk. There is only one award per year from

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over 1,500 nominations. Paul is also on the university's Judicial Board. ★Ashley Ellis (F'13 grad, Political Science, Cattaraugus) received the Waring Family Work Ethic Scholarship. ★Alessio Farina (FR, Music Education, Nesconcet) and EDP counselor Rachel Skemer showed off their Halloween costumes (pictured top right). ★Black Student Union fall 2013 E-board members: vice president Rachael James, (JR, Communication—Public Relations, Bronx), treasurer Margaret Gonzalez (JR, Accounting, Fredonia), vice treasurer Emmanuel Guzman (SO, Communication Disorders and Sciences, Bronx), and publicity chair assistant Tieliek Curry (SO, Social Work, Bronx). ★Brother-2-Brother E-board members: David Asimeng (SO, Visual Arts & New Media, Bronx), Tieliek Curry, and Ibrahima Toure (JR, Computer Science, New York). ★Alexis Fores (SR, Communication-Journalism, Fredonia) had her first by-line in The Leader 9/18/13. ★Ivo Margic (F'13 grad, Bus Admin-Finance, Blasdell) studied abroad in Australia for fall 2013. ★Benjamin Soto-Soto (JR, Business Admin—Management, Dunkirk) is a



Halloween in EDP— Alessio Farina and Rachel Skemer

liaison for ENACTUS (SA group--ENACTUS is a national group of student, academic and business leaders committed to using the power of entrepreneurial action to transform lives and shape a better, more sustainable world). ★Ian Davis (FR, Economics, Batavia) was elected VP of his dorm's residence hall council.

★Nia Drummond (SO, music performance, Brooklyn) sang at the christening of a Carnival Cruise ship in New Orleans at the end of November; had a master class with opera star Renee Fleming 11/14; worked with "jazz gospel" singer Kim Burrell at the Kennedy Center 11/22; sang in Miami during winter break; and will be singing at Carnegie Hall with the SUNY Fredonia Festival Chorale 2/16. She is also the co-director and piano player for the Gospel Choir. They gave their fall concert on 12/8. ★Johnathan Sales (JR, Music-Applied, Buffalo) interned with the Albany Law School in the office of the Chief Financial Officer during summer 2013. \*Sabrina Macaulay (SO, Early & Childhood Edu-Social Studies, Newark) was named athlete of the week 12/1/13. **Coscar Martinez** (SO, Music Education, Brentwood) played solos on his viola for the Holocaust Memorial Service 10/27 at Temple Beth El in Dunkirk. ★Oscar Martinez and '13 graduate David Chatterton played in the College Symphony Orchestra 10/12/13. ★Krystal Lebron (SO, Biology, Dunkirk) was inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta honor society. ★Cordell Jacobs (F'13 grad, Busi-



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Jeanie Huang— Operation Breakfast Rescue Volunteer

ness Admin, Bronx) has secured a full-time job at Outer Limit Recording Studio in Buffalo. \*Navla Kabir (FR, Business Admin, Bronx) was on the student panel discussing "Coming to Fredonia: The Global Student Perspective" 11/19. This was sponsored by the office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. ★Students in the Hillman Opera's 2013 production of "La Cenerentola" (Cinderella) were Lorenzo Parnell (F'13 grad, Music Applied, Fredonia) as the prince, Oscar Martinez and David Chatterton were in the orchestra, and Alessio Farina was in the production backstage crew. ★Sammantha Nickel (FR, Theatre Production & Design, Hilton) was involved in the stage production of <u>School of Scandal</u>. \*Kimberly Reynolds (SR, Childhood Ed: English 7-9 Ext, Buffalo) has been accepted into the Plymouth, England Teaching Program for June 2014. \*Kalif Crutcher, Tieliek Curry, Paul Overturf, Krystal Lebron, and other members of the Advanced Leadership Development Program F'13 class sponsored a game night at the local Salvation Army. "Each child participating left with a prize. The Buffalo Bills memorabilia Mr. White donated was a big hit," said Krystal Lebron. ★Rachael James will be completing an internship in Albany at the State Capitol for spring 2014. \*Jeanie Huang (JR, Psychology, Brooklyn) volunteered her time at "Operation Breakfast Rescue" (pictured bottom left). This is an annual event sponsored by the Office of Volunteer and Community Services to benefit the Chautaugua County Rural Ministry's Friendly Kitchen.



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