Business doctoral program approved

On April 6, Shippensburg University received approval from the Board of Governors of Pennsylvania’s State System of Higher Education for a Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA).

This 54-credit-hour DBA program, offered through the John L. Grove College of Business, will be the only AACSB-accredited business administration doctoral program at a public university in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.

The program is designed to meet a documented need in the Commonwealth and region for doctorally prepared business professionals. The DBA will prepare regional, national and international graduates with the critical research expertise necessary in today’s global knowledge economy.

“The DBA is a prime example of our strategic addition of programs that build on the strength of our faculty as well as address the workforce and market demands of our region and the state,” said Dr. Tracy Schoolcraft, acting provost and vice president of academic affairs.

“Grove College of Business has a long history of excellence in education, having maintained our AACSB accreditation for nearly four decades,” said Dr. John L. Kooti, dean of Grove College of Business. “The DBA builds on the success of and growth of our MBA program which has been ranked among the best in the nation by U.S. News and World Report.”

Dr. M. Blake Hargrove, associate professor of management, has been leading the faculty effort to design a quality doctoral program with an innovative and flexible curriculum.

“The Shippensburg DBA is intensely collaborative. Working closely with their professors, students develop advanced research skills and become masters of their discipline during the two years of course work. In the third year, faculty mentors guide DBA students as they design and perform original research that makes a contribution to their field,” explained Hargrove.

Offered as a weekend, residential program, the DBA is suitable for recent MBA graduates, mid-level managers and executives seeking career development, local and regional educators without doctorates, international students and career-military personnel exploring a second career.

The program’s anticipated launch is fall 2018. To learn more about the admissions process contact the School of Graduate Studies at (717) 477-1213 or GradAdmissions@ship.edu. To learn more about the program, contact Dr. Hargrove, associate professor of management at dba@ship.edu.
Kudos


Dr. Gwendolyn Durham, assistant professor of teacher education accompanied Shippensburg University Pennsylvania State Education Association (SU-PSEA) Student PSEA Conference, held March 30 to April 1. The conference was held in Pittsburgh. While at the conference the students attended several professional development workshops, participated in a massive outreach to teach service project, and visited the Carnegie Melon Museum.

James Griffith, professor of psychology, recently published two research articles and a book chapter with student co-authors. The first article titled, “An examination of the WHOQOL-BREF using four popular data collection methods” was published in Computers in Human Behavior, and was co-authored with three students and Dr. Lea T. Adams, associate professor of psychology. The second article titled, “The cost of sex” was published in Evolutionary Psychology, and was co-authored with two students. A chapter titled, “The career development of bisexual sex workers” was published in the book, Sexual Orientation and Transgender Issues in Organizations – Global Perspectives on LGBT Workforce Diversity (Springer), and was co-authored with two students.

Dr. Ian M. Langella, professor and chair of finance and supply chain management, recently reviewed an article on business sustainability for the peer reviewed Communications of the Association for Information Systems.

Robert Lesman, associate professor of Spanish, published the article “A Delirious Theatricality: The Question of Authenticity in Four Poems by Virgilio Piñera” in the spring 2017 issue of Hispanic Review.

Dr. Matthew R. Shupp, NCC, DCC, assistant professor of counseling and college student personnel, was a featured presenter at the National Conference on Student Leadership’s bi-annual convention in Orlando, Fla. He was a member of a three-person advisory faculty that facilitated the conference’s call to action that provided conference participants the time and space to generate a specific action plan to meet the challenges found on college campuses. Shupp also presented a variety of workshops and sat on several panels at the ACPA—College Student Educators International annual convention in Columbus, Ohio. His research on emotional intelligence’s impact on the work of student affairs practitioners was selected as one of 17 featured speakers at the convention’s Pecha Kucha presentation.

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Cumberland Valley Rails to Trails Council Bridge Ribbon Cutting and Fun Run, 12:30 p.m., Shippensburg Township Park

Fact

Fact is published by the Office of University Communications and Marketing for current and retired employees. The next issue is May 1. The deadline to submit material to SUnews@ship.edu is noon on Monday of the week before publication. Shippensburg University is an equal opportunity educational institution.
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For more information, contact Dr. Kathryn Shirk at kbshirk@ship.edu or (717) 477-1114.

**Minds@Work Conference**

Research on the impact of prescribed burning on tick abundance and student news literacy are just two of the projects that will be featured at Ship’s annual Minds@Work Conference on Tuesday, April 25.

The yearly conference highlighting the scholarly and creative work of SU students is one of the largest of its kind in Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education, according to Chris Wonders, director of the university’s Institute for Public Service and Sponsered Programs.

This year, over 400 undergraduate and graduate students from disciplines across campus will participate. Students will share their work in poster sessions, oral presentations and panel presentations organized by academic departments and the Honors Program.

Minds@Work runs from 3:30 to 9 p.m. on April 25 in the Ceddia Union Building. For more information, go to www.ship.edu/Student_Research_Conference/.

**Senior send-off announced**

Please join the spring graduating class of 2017 and the Office of Alumni Relations on Friday, May 5 between 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. to send-off our newest graduating class and to welcome them into the Alumni Association. The celebration will take place on the lawn of the Martin House. Please RSVP to alumni@ship.edu or call (717) 477-1218. In the event of heavy rain, location will be moved to the student rec pavilion.

**The Little Princess Playhouse returns**

The Little Princess Playhouse returns to Stewart Hall on April 29 and May 6. The students will perform “Princess Club” and “Alice in Wonderland” at 10 and 11:30 a.m. The cost is $5 at the door. Seating is limited. For additional information, call (717) 477-1638.

**Luhrs Library holding spring book fair**

The Grace B. Luhrs Library will be hosting a spring book fair from April 25 to 27. The hours will be Tuesday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (5-8 p.m. is family night), and Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Grace B. Luhrs Library. Cash, check and most major credit cards are gladly accepted. Everyone is invited to take advantage of this opportunity to shop for children’s books, teen novels, cookbooks, adult books and educational materials.

**International Studies Film Series, Part III**

On Wednesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. in Grove Forum, there will be a showing of the German film “Head-On.” This film series is sponsored by the German Studies Minor; Departments of History/Philosophy, Psychology, Sociology/Anthropology; and the International Studies Program.

For more information, visit www.ship.edu/ism.

**Pa’lante March**

The Latino Student Organization and Multicultural Student Affairs will be holding a march on Wednesday, April 19. The march will start at Gilbert Hall at 4:45 p.m. Dr. José Ricardo, associate professor and chair of the modern languages department, will be a featured speaker. For more information, contact Varquidia Rosario at vr9364@ship.edu.

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Coming soon....

**April 18**
Modern Languages Poetry Reading, 6:30 p.m., Cora I. Grove Spiritual Center
Women’s Lacrosse hosts West Chester, 4:00 p.m., Robb Sports Complex

**April 19**
SU Track and Field Invitational, 3:00 p.m., Seth Grove Stadium

**April 20**
Earth Day Celebration, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., quad

**April 21**
MSA Elite Statewide Fashion Show, 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., Memorial Auditorium
Homes for Our Troops Spaghetti Dinner, 4:00 to 9:00 p.m., CUB

**April 22**
Inclusive Basketball, 11:00 a.m., Henderson Gymnasium
Baseball hosts ESU, 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., Fairchild Field

**April 25**
Baseball hosts Seton Hill, 3:00 p.m., Fairchild Field

**April 27**
Heather’s Spring Musical, 6:00 p.m., Memorial Auditorium

**April 28**
Baseball hosts Kutztown, 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., Fairchild Field

**April 29**
Inclusive Basketball, 11:00 a.m., Henderson Gymnasium
Women’s Lacrosse hosts Slippery Rock, 1:00 p.m., Robb Sports Complex
Softball hosts West Chester, 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., Robb Field
Paul Kaiser Track and Field Classic, TBA, Seth Grove Stadium
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**April 30**
Heather’s Spring Musical, 2:00 p.m., Memorial Auditorium

March crimes
The following crimes were reported to University Police in March:
- Aggravated assault: 0
- Arson: 0
- Burglary: 2
- Criminal homicide: 0
- Disorderly conduct: 1
- Driving under the influence: 0
- Drug violations: 4
- Drunkenness: 0
- Forcible rape: 0
- Forgery & counterfeiting: 1
- Fraud: 1
- Larceny (theft): 2
- Liquor laws: 11
- Motor vehicle theft: 0
- Other assaults (not aggravated): 1
- Robbery: 0
- Sex offenses: 0
- Stolen property (receiving): 0
- Vandalism: 3
- Weapons violations: 0
- All other offenses: 2

For more details on university events, please go to www.ship.edu/events.
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