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## Vice President Bradley named interim provost

By Jill Elish ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, NEWS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Florida State University Vice President for Planning and Programs Robert B. Bradley is serving as interim provost and executive vice president for Academic Affairs. President Eric J. Barron made the appointment effective on Dec. 12.

Bradley will serve while a national search continues for a permanent successor to Lawrence G. Abele, who will step down to devote his full attention to the Institute for Academic Leadership, a statewide program for new academic administrators. Abele, a marine biologist, is among the longest-serving provosts and academic vice presidents in the United States and has the longest tenure among provosts in the State University System of Florida.

"Larry Abele is one of the most re-

spected provosts in the country, and Florida State University has benefited immensely from his 16 years of service in this capacity," Barron said. "Bob Bradley is extremely knowledgeable, and we are grateful that he has agreed to serve during this period of transition."

The provost is the senior academic administrator and the second-highest ranking official at the university behind the president. The provost is responsible for all operations of the university involving instruction, research, academic quality and external programs. The deans of Florida State's 15 colleges report to him.

Bradley, who has served as vice president for Planning and Programs since 2006, previously served as associate vice president for Academic Affairs at Florida

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Robert B. Bradley

## Information professor to lead national association

By Bob Branciforte COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Melissa Gross, a professor of information in the Florida State University College of Communication and Information, School of Library and Information Studies, will serve as the next president of the Association for Library and Information Science Education (www.alise.org), an organization that serves as the intellectual home of faculty in library and information science graduate programs throughout North America.

Gross' election as ALISE vice president/president-elect seems a natural progression for her.

"I attended my first ALISE conference as a doctoral candidate in 1997," Gross said. "Since that time, I have become increasingly involved in ALISE and I believe that I am in a unique position to provide continuity in the development and application of its policy and procedures as it moves into the future."

Gross was the association's director for Membership Services from 2007 to January 2010. In that capacity, she finalized procedures for conference planning and led a committee that instituted a new program of continuing education called the "ALISE Academy."

From 2006 to 2007, Gross served as Please see GROSS, 6



The Florida State University is the recipient of \$1.3 million in state awards to fund seven projects as part of the New Florida Initiative. (Read the full story on page 4.)

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## **Council on Research and Creativity gives awards**

#### **PLANNING GRANTS**

The Florida State University Council on Research and Creativity has announced the recipients of the fall 2010 round of 2010-2011 Planning Grants. The next round of grants will be awarded in spring 2011. Each grant is worth up to \$12,000. The nine awardees, listed alphabetically below, received a total of \$107,810.

- •Jonathan Grant (History), "The International Armaments Business in Eastern Europe, 1919-1939";
- •Fengfeng Ke (Educational Psychology and Learning Systems), "Using 3D Virtual Reality for Social Communication Skills Development: A Second Life-Based Learning Program for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders";
- •Don Latham, with Melissa Gross and Shelbie Witte (Communication and Information/ Teacher Education), "Preparing Teachers and Librarians to Teach 21st Century Skills: A Needs Assessment";
- •Michele Manting (Clinical Sciences), "Killing Two Birds with One Stone: Assessing the Impact of a Longitudinal Service Learning Project in Breast Health on Students and Underserved Communities";
- •Donna Marie Nudd, with Jeanette Castillo (Communication), "Rewired: Sound, Silence, Art";
- •Gregory Sauer, with Corinne Stillwell Bowman and Read Gainsford (Music), "Hidden Gems: A Recording of 20th Century Piano Trios by Trio Solis";
- •Jeannine Turner (Educational Psychology and Learning Systems), "Research and Evaluation of "Teaching the Art of Chronic Care Management Using Virtual Patients in Second Life";
- •Andy Wang (Computer Science), "Studying the Effects of Multicore Environments on Storage Performance"; and

•Zhenghao Zhang (Computer Science), "Accurate Localization with RFID Tags."

#### **SMALL GRANT PROPOSALS**

The Council on Research and Creativity (CRC) makes twice-yearly awards of \$3,000 for the fall and spring Small Grant Proposal program. The fall 2010-2011 awardees, with a total of \$9,000 in funding, are:

- •Adam Gaiser (Religion), "Ibadi Versions of the Munazara at Harura";
- •Carolina Gonzalez (Modern Languages and Linguistics), "Panoan Rhythm"; and
- •Lynn Jones (Art History), "The Apocalypse of Anastasia and the Rock-Cut Church of Meryam Ana, Turkey."

#### MULTIDISCIPLINARY SUPPORT

The Council on Research and Creativity has selected the following faculty to receive its Multi-Disciplinary Support award. This year, the council elected to fund two proposals rather than the usual one proposal. The 2010-2011 awardees, with a total of \$50,000 in funding that goes into effect on Feb. 1, are:

- •John Sobanjo (Civil and Environmental Engineering), with Victor DeBrunner (Electrical and Computer Engineering) and Jonathan Clark (Mechanical Engineering), "Toward the Development of a Robotic System and Wireless Sensor Platform for Inspection and Monitoring of Submerged Bridge Substructures"; and
- •Sherry Southerland (School of Teacher Education), with Rebecca Galeano (School of Teacher Education) and Michael Leeser (Modern Languages and Linguistics), "Integrated ESOL and Foreign Language: A Curriculum Model for Preparing Math and Science Teachers."

For information on all of the programs of the Council on Research and Creativity, visit www.research.fsu.edu/crc/crc.html.

## NewsMakers

#### "Stress can pull the trigger on the genetic gun."

— Kevin Beaver, an associate professor in the Florida State University College of Criminology and Criminal Justice, as quoted in the Newsweek.com article "The Kids Can't Help It." Beaver discusses how most adolescents "dabble" with delinquency. He says this is normal and, within certain boundaries, might be beneficial.

## FSU receives \$1.3 million for 'New Florida' initiatives

By Jill Elish
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, NEWS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Florida State University has received \$1.3 million in state awards to fund seven projects as part of the New Florida Initiative. The State University System's Board of Governors today announced \$10 million for project winners from all 11 public institutions in two categories: Clustering Grants and Scholars Boost Grants.

The largest FSU award — \$300,000 — will go to the College of Medicine to support a joint project with the University of Florida that combines UF's expertise in clinical and translational science research with Florida State's strength in community-based medical education. UF also will receive \$300,000 to support the project.

"Working with physicians in the community setting will provide new and invaluable research opportunities where the majority of patients get health care in Florida," said John P. Fogarty, M.D., dean of the College of Medicine. "This is a great opportunity to center our research on patients, taking medical advances from

the laboratory into the community, where we can have a direct impact on health outcomes for our state's residents."

The College of Medicine also received a \$250,000 "Scholars Boost" award to help with the recruitment of a professor of biomedical science. The hire will improve the potential for the college to perform revenue-generating research.

In addition, FSU was awarded "Clustering Grants" in the amounts of:

•\$200,000 for a collaborative project with the University of South Florida on "Tackling Florida's Growing Geophysical Threats Through Collaborative Coupled Modeling." The project will quantify and model potential geophysical threats to Florida such as hurricanes, storm surges, droughts and flooding.

•\$150,000 for a collaborative project with the University of Central Florida, "A Unified Approach for Enhancing Aerospace Research, Education and Workforce Training." This endeavor couples the Florida Center of Excellence in Advanced Aero-Propulsion with UCF's longstanding expertise in space-

related research. The initiative will assist in sustaining and rebuilding the economic vibrancy of Florida's Space Coast.

•\$150,000 for "Sunshine Grid — Florida's Research and Education Cyber-Infrastructure," a project with UF and USF that will expand broadband and, therefore, supercomputing capabilities across Florida.

•\$150,000 for "Highly Individualized High-Performance Prostheses with Multifunctional Materials," an endeavor that groups together a proven Center of Excellence in Advanced Materials at FSU with a burgeoning interest at the University of North Florida in engineering and medical-related technologies.

•\$100,000 for a collaborative project with Florida Atlantic University and UF, "State University System Climate Change Task Force." This is the first formal collaborative activity among state universities in studying and modeling climate change.

For more information on the New Florida Initiative and the funded projects, visit www.flbog.edu/new\_florida.

## Eating-disorders expert to lead off spring luncheon series

Professor Pamela Keel of the Florida State University Department of Psychology will be the featured speaker on Jan. 11 at the first of four events comprising the Spring 2011 Faculty Luncheon Series. Keel will address the topic of "Purging Disorder: Evidence for a 'New' Eating Disorder" at the luncheon.

Keel is a participant in FSU's new, interdisciplinary "Psychology and Neurobiology of Dysregulated Behavior" academic cluster, formed through the university's innovative interdisciplinary faculty hiring initiative.

The luncheon, which is open to the public, will take place Tuesday, Jan. 11, at 12:15 p.m. at the Presbyterian University Center/Westminster House.

"Eating disorders represent a significant source of psychological and medical morbidity among late adolescent and young adult women," Keel said. "This talk will review several studies conducted on purging disorder, a newly described syndrome characterized by recurrent purging (i.e., self-induced vomiting) after normal or small amounts of food is eaten by normal-weight individuals.

During the Spring 2011 Faculty Luncheon Series, prominent Florida State University researchers will discuss some of the ways in which FSU is moving forward in critical areas of knowledge through interdisciplinary collaboration and advanced research.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 8

• "See Me, Feel Me, Touch Me': Who Says Digital Technology is a Good Thing?" by English Professor Elaine Treharne, who is a participant in FSU's "History of Text Technologies" cluster.

#### Tuesday, March 15

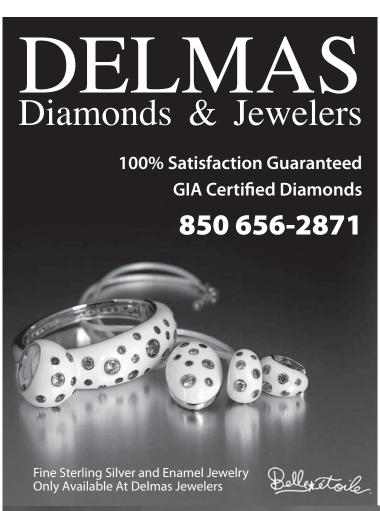
•"Nanotechnology as a Route Toward Synthetic Biology," by biological science Assistant Professor Steve Lenhert, who is a participant in FSU's Integrative Nanoscience cluster.

Tuesday, April 12

•"Team Play and Strategic Thought," by economics Professor David J. Cooper, who is the Brim Eminent Scholar in Economics at FSU and a participant in the university's "Experimental Social Science" cluster.

Reservations are required for the luncheon; a catered hot lunch will be provided at a cost of \$9 per person. Reservation requests may be mailed to the Presbyterian University Center, 548 W. Park Ave., Tallahassee, FL 32301, with a check made out to the Presbyterian University Center and clearly marked "Faculty Luncheon Series." Alternatively, reservations may be made by calling the center at (850) 222-6320 or sending an e-mail to bac4259@ fsu.edu. Payment may then be made at the door. All reservations must be made by noon on Thursday, Jan. 6.

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## Sabbatical, professional development leave recipients announced

Florida State University Dean of the Faculties Anne Rowe has approved the following 49 faculty and staff members for either sabbaticals or professional development leave for the 2011-2012 academic year.

#### **ONE-SEMESTER SABBATICALS**

•College of Arts and Sciences: Amod S. Agashe (Mathematics), Richard Bertram (Mathematics), Vladimir Dobrosavljevic (Physics), Edward G. Gray (History), Margaret K. "Meegan" Hanson (English), Eriko Hironaka (Mathematics), Elaine M. Hull (Psychology), Amy Koehlinger (Religion), N. Bradley Schmidt (Psychology), Peggy Sharpe (Modern Languages and Linguistics), S. Candace Ward (English) and Kathleen B. Yancey (English).

•College of Business: **David B. Humphrey** (Finance).

•College of Education: Allan Jeong (Educational Psychology and Learning Systems) and Steven I. Pfeiffer (Educational Psychology and Learning Systems).

•College of Engineering: **Anjaneyulu Krothapalli** (Mechanical Engineering) and **Hsu-Pin** "Ben" Wang (Industrial

Engineering).

•College of Music: **Marcia D. Porter** (Voice).

•College of Social Sciences and Public Policy: **James S. Bowman** (Askew School of Public Administration and Policy) and **Koji Ueno** (Sociology).

#### TWO-SEMESTER SABBATICALS

•College of Arts and Sciences: Mark Bourassa (Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Science), Timothy Cross (Chemistry and Biochemistry), Fred W. Huffer (Statistics), Piyush Kumar (Computer Science), William E. Leparulo (Modern Languages and Linguistics), Christopher A. Pfaff (Classics), Ralph R. Radach (Psychology), Grigory V. Rogachev (Physics), Gershon Tenenbaum (Educational Psychology and Learning Systems), David Whalley (Computer Science), Mark D. Winegardner (English), Xiaolei Zou (Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Science) and Kenneth A. Taylor (Biological Science).

•College of Business: **Allen W. Bathke** (Accounting).

•College of Communication and Information: Felecia F. Jordan-Jackson

(Communication) and **Robert Pekurny** (Communication).

•College of Education: **Lora Cohen-Vogel** (Educational Leadership and Policy Studies).

•College of Engineering: **Leonard L.** van **Dommelen** (Mechanical Engineering).

•College of Music: **Charles E. Brewer** (Musicology) and **Jane P. Clendinning** (Music Theory).

•College of Social Sciences: William H. Moore (Political Science) and Carl P. Schmertmann (Economics).

•College of Visual Arts, Theatre and Dance: **Lauren S. Weingarden** (Art History).

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LEAVE

•College of Arts & Sciences: **David Branscome** (Classics), **Daniel Chang** (Computer Science) and **Robert Myers** (Computer Science).

•Office of Planning and Programs: **Ruth Feiock** (Planning and Programs).

•College of Social Work: M. Kim Maddox (Social Work).

•College of Motion Picture Arts: **Victoria L. Meyer** (Film).

**GROSS** 

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both the co-chair of the ALISE Conference Planning Committee and the co-convener of the ALISE Youth Services Special Interest Group. With the conference planning committee, she organized the Curriculum Vita and Portfolio Review Sessions held at the 2007 ALISE annual conference.

With the youth services group, Gross was responsible for youth special interest group sessions at the 2007 annual ALISE winter meeting. During that time, she established the ALISE/Linworth Youth Services Special Interest Group Paper Award along with FSU faculty members Nancy Everhart and Don Latham. The award recognizes an innovative research paper in youth services with a \$1,000 prize. Gross co-chaired the award committee during its initial year (2007-2008).

Gross is currently chairwoman of the

ALISE Juried Paper Proposals Committee, for which she has served as a reviewer of juried papers.

"This is a great honor for Melissa and for our school," said FSU School of Li-

brary and Information Studies Associate Professor Don Latham, who has worked with Gross on numerous research projects. "ALISE promotes excellence in research, teaching, and service. These are all areas in which Melissa excels."

Gross received her doctorate in Library and Information Science from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1998. She

began teaching at Florida State in 1999. In 2001, she received the prestigious American Association of University Women Recognition Award for Emerging Scholars.

She has published extensively in the

areas of information seeking behavior, library program and service evaluation, and information resources for youth. Her current projects include investigations into the information literacy needs of under-

graduates and the HIV/AIDS content of materials developed for a young adult audience.

Gross' most recent books are "HIV/AIDS in Young Adult Novels: An Annotated Bibliography," co-written with Annette Goldsmith and Debi Carruth (Scarecrow Press, 2010); "Studying Children's Questions: Information Seeking Behavior in

School," (Scarecrow Press, 2006); and "Dynamic Youth Services through Outcome Based Planning and Evaluation," cowritten with Eliza Dresang and Leslie Holt (ALA Publications, 2006).



Melissa Gross



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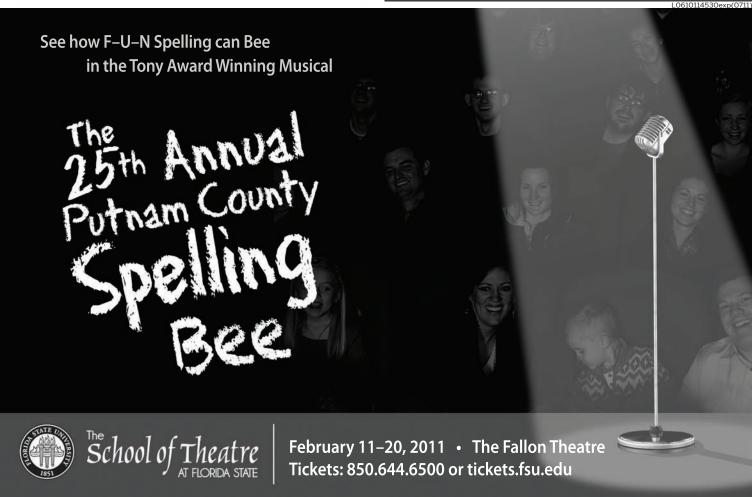


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LEADERSHIP MENTORS NEEDED: The Diverse Leadership Mentoring Program (DLMP) is seeking mentors. The DLMP provides FSU students with opportunities to build skills and knowledge while attaining goals for leadership development through a formal mentoring relationship with a leadership practitioner. DLMP leadership mentors are Florida State University faculty members, administrative and professional staff members, alumni or graduate students who are willing to support the development of emerging leaders. Participation is voluntary and flexible in terms of time commitments and participation requirements.

The DLMP is a formal process that is coordinated by the Office of Human Resources to support the Leaders Educated to Make a Difference (LEAD) Initiative, which is part of Florida State's overall Quality Enhancement Plan.

In addition to the leadership attributes to be gained by the students, the program is designed to offer benefits to the mentor as well. Mentors can gain personal satisfaction knowing that they have enriched a student's collegiate experience. Participation also demonstrates a commitment to professional and personal development and can enhance coaching, feedback and leadership skills.

Additional program information, as well as mentee and mentor application forms, are available at **https://hrapps.fsu.edu/mentor**. **Questions:** Sandra Dixon, assistant director, Human Resources, and DLMP coordinator, ssdixon@admin.fsu.edu or (850) 645-6468.

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#### **BYLINES**

**Christie Koontz**, Ph.D. (Communication and Information), chaired an international, EUROLIS-sponsored conference on library marketing, November, London, England.

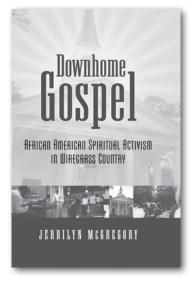
**Marcia Mardis**, Ph.D. (Library and Information Studies), served as the guest editor for the November-December issue of Knowledge Quest, the official journal of the American Association of School Librarians. The issue theme was "STEM for Our Students." and con-

tained articles about such issues as STEM in school libraries and digital resources.

Jerrilyn McGregory, Ph.D. (English), wrote a book, "Downhome Gospel: African American Spiritual Activism in Wiregrass Country," published by the University Press of Mississippi.

**Besiki Stvilia**, Ph.D., and Corinne Jörgensen, Ph.D. (School of Library and Information Studies),

wrote an article, "Member Activities and Quality of Tags in a Collection of Historical Photographs in Flickr," which appeared in the Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology, December 2010.



**Johan van Tol**, Ph.D. (National High Magnetic Field Laboratory), co-wrote a paper, "Electronic Spin Storage in an Electrically Readable Nuclear Spin Memory with a Lifetime >100 Seconds," which appeared in the Dec. 17 issue of the journal Science.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

**Juan Carlos Galeano**, Ph.D. (Modern Languages and Linguistics), was invited to give the Distinguished Alumni lecture "Mythical Amazonia: Storytelling and Poetry" at the University of Kentucky, fall 2010.

#### **SERVICE**

**Victor Mesev**, Ph.D. (Geography), was one of three Florida State University geographers to lead a workshop of the International Cartographic Association and also present his research, Orlando, Fla., November 2010. The workshop was dedicated to the advances in sensors and algorithms for topographic and thematic mapping. The ICA Commission on Mapping from Satellite Imagery organized the workshop.

**Xiaojun Yang**, Ph.D. (Geography), was one of three Florida State University geographers to lead a workshop of the International Cartographic Association and also present his research, Orlando, Fla., November 2010. The workshop was dedicated to the advances in sensors and algorithms for topographic and thematic mapping. It was organized by the ICA Commission on Mapping from Satellite Imagery, of which Yang currently serves as chairman.

**Tingting Zhao**, Ph.D. (Geography), was one of three Florida State University geographers to lead a workshop of the International Cartographic Association and also present her research, Orlando, Fla., November 2010. The workshop was dedicated to the advances in sensors and algorithms for topographic and thematic mapping. The ICA Commission on Mapping from Satellite Imagery organized the workshop.

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State. He joined the faculty at Florida State in 1998 and is a professor in the Askew School of Public Administration and Policy.

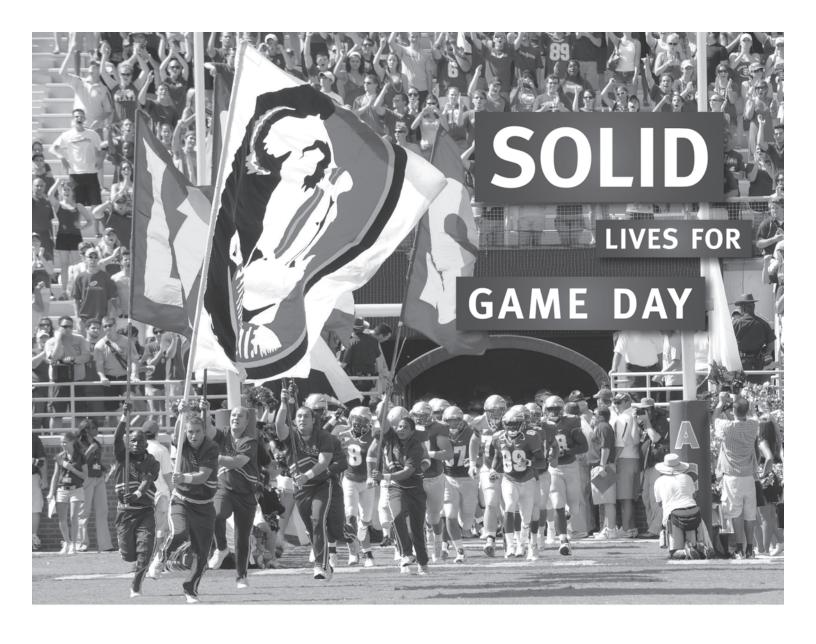
"I'm honored the president asked me to serve, and I look forward to the opportunity to provide leadership to Academic Affairs until the search committee completes its work," Bradley said.

As vice president for Planning and Programs, Bradley administers the university's

Quality Enhancement Review process and has broad responsibilities for academic planning and effectiveness. Most recently, he helped author the university strategic plan. The dean of University Libraries and the director of Academic & Professional Program Services report to him, along with the dean of the Panama City Campus. He also serves as director of the Institute of Science and Public Affairs at Florida State and is a member of the Board of the State and Local Government Review. In addition, he is a member of the Florida State University Schools Board of Directors.

Bradley previously served in a number of positions in state government, including budget director in the Governor's Office. He also served as secretary to the Florida Administration Commission and the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission and as director of the first Constitutional Taxation and Budgeting Reform Commission.

Bradley, who holds a doctoral degree in political science, has twice won Public Administrator of the Year awards from the North Florida Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration.



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