

Associate Dean's Message



Carlos Tejada, associate dean for graduate recruitment, welcomes potential students and their families to the Graduate School Open House and Showcase.

facilitated by the directors from NU's education, counseling, M.B.A., criminal justice and interdisciplinary studies graduate programs. The day concluded with tours of Niagara's scenic campus.

If you were unable to attend but want information on Niagara University's graduate programs, please feel free to call me at 716-286-8769 or 800-462-2111. Please specify what graduate program you are considering. I would be happy to mail you a graduate application and answer any questions you might have.

I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable summer!

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Another Successful Open House

This spring semester has been very busy with recruitment trips to colleges and local businesses.

The highlight of spring 2008 was Niagara's annual Graduate School Open House and Showcase on the morning of April 5. Seventy prospective students and their families participated in our open house activities in the new Academic Complex. These students were able to experience firsthand the state-of-the-art classrooms and learning labs. The Rev. Joseph Levesque, C.M., NU's president, was on hand to welcome students to our campus and answer their questions. Academic presentations were



Above: The Graduate School Open House and Showcase attracted a number of potential students and their families.

At left: Bernadette Brennen, coordinator of the study-abroad program, talks with open house attendees.

MBA

New Dean to Head NU's College of Business Administration



R. Mark Wilson, Ph.D., a professor of economics at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg, has been named dean of the College of Business Administration at Niagara University. He will join Niagara University in July, succeeding Philip M. Scherer, Ph.D., who has been serving as interim dean during the current academic year.

Wilson, who has taught a variety of economics courses, has been honored with several teaching awards. His administrative experiences include chairing the department of economics at the University of South Florida, directing business programs at South Florida's St. Petersburg campus, and serving as associate dean of the College of Business at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg.

"We are very pleased to have Dr. Wilson join Niagara University," said Bonnie Rose, Ph.D., executive vice president and vice president for academic affairs. "He is an outstanding leader, and eager to begin working both with the university and the business community here in Western New York."

Commenting on his appointment, Wilson said, "When I read Niagara University's mission and core values, I felt I wanted to be a part of what Niagara does. I am very excited to have the opportunity to 'learn, serve and lead' as dean of the College of Business Administration."

Career Services

Hodick Named Director

Thomas A. Hodick, an NU alumnus and adjunct professor, was named director of career development in January 2008.

Hodick was formerly career development manager and senior consultant for E. K. Ward & Associates, where he managed corporate outplacement centers for the West Seneca human resources consulting company. For the last 13 years, he served as an adjunct professor of history at Niagara, where he obtained both his bachelor's and master's degrees in history. He also holds a graduate certificate of specialization in human resources management from the University at Buffalo.

Hodick has the following message for Niagara graduate students: "On behalf of the entire Office of Career Development staff, we invite you to visit us to discuss any job- and career-related issues you may have. From reconstructing your résumé to conducting a successful job search, we are eager to assist you." The Office of Career Development is located in the lower level of Seton Hall. Visit their Web site by clicking www.niagara.edu/career/.



Did You Know?

Put Me In, Coach — I'm Ready to Play!

Joe McCarthy, the Baseball Hall of Fame (1957) manager of the "Bronx Bombers" teams from 1931 to 1946, attended and played baseball for Niagara University (1906). McCarthy won nine league titles overall and seven World Series championships. Coach McCarthy managed such baseball greats as Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio, Bill Dickey and Yogi Berra.

Niagara University, Joe McCarthy later recalled fondly, was "the most picturesque spot in all the world to me." McCarthy took pride in the way the school supported him.

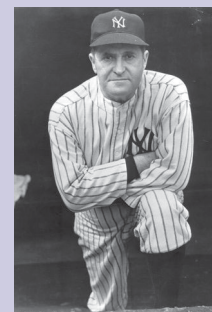


Photo courtesy of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

Always do right. This will gratify some and astonish the rest.
— Mark Twain

Practice

Makes Perfect

Are you planning on taking the GRE or the GMAT this summer?

Check out the following Web sites to view practice questions and to get a feel for what to expect on these standardized exams. The best part is that they are completely free!

www.studyguidezone.com/gretest.htm

www.studyguidezone.com/gmattest.htm

Library News

Access to Databases

The NU library provides remote access through the World Wide Web to most of its database subscriptions.

Please see

www.niagara.edu/library/onlres.html.

Most of the databases do not require a password if you are connecting from anywhere on campus. If you are connecting from home, you will need to obtain passwords from a reference librarian.

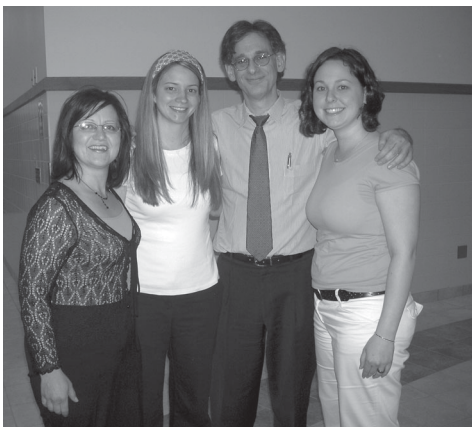
Book News

You can see the library's new books and DVDs by clicking the "New Titles" link in the library catalog

www.niagara.edu/library/catalog.html.

Education

Three Awarded Scholarship



Teresa Strassel, Amy O'Byrne, author Alfie Kohn, and Nicole Calabrese after Kohn's workshop.

Three graduate elementary teacher candidates, Nicole Calabrese, Amy O'Byrne, and Teresa Strassel, have been awarded a Lillian Brand scholarship by the Association for the Education of Young Children of Western New York. Lillian Brand was a pioneer in early childhood education in New York. In 1966 she was the founding director of the pre-kindergarten program in the Hamburg Central Schools. Each year, AEYC of WNY provides several early childhood candidates a scholarship to attend the New York State AEYC conference in Lillian Brand's honor. The three NU students wrote winning essays in order to qualify for the scholarship. O'Byrne commented, "It's great that our professors are thinking of us and providing us with great opportunities like this!"

Criminal Justice

Rivera's Research Continues

Dr. Craig Rivera, assistant professor in the department of criminology and criminal justice, is continuing his research into the causes and consequences of youth exposure to community violence. Along with Richard Spano from Indiana University, Alex Vazsonyi from Auburn University, and John Bolland from the University of Alabama, his most recent research examines the effect of being exposed to violence on subsequent patterns of parental monitoring. Relying on a sample of youth living in extreme poverty in Mobile, Ala., they found that youth who were chronically exposed to violence had an increased probability of subsequently experiencing decreased parental monitoring, even after statistically controlling for other relevant factors. The authors recently had a paper with their findings accepted for publication in the journal *Criminal Justice and Behavior*, and they have a second manuscript under review at the journal *Developmental Psychology*. They will also be presenting a paper at the upcoming American Society of Criminology conference in St. Louis, Mo.

MA-IS

Program's First Students Graduate

Stephanie Cattarin and Adrienne Leibowitz share the honor of being Niagara University's first graduates in the Master of Arts – Interdisciplinary Studies program! Their capstone projects are impressive pieces of work: Cattarin created a strategic marketing plan for Niagara University's M.B.A. program to expand into Southern Ontario and the Greater Toronto area, while Leibowitz wrote a strategic fund development plan for Malawi Children's Village, an orphan-care program in Africa. Both entered the program in fall 2006, and completed their degrees while working full-time jobs. Congratulations!

Two new courses have been approved — Communications Methods (summer 2008) and Fundraising Fundamentals (fall 2008) — that will serve those students hoping to create a degree program focusing on nonprofit organizations.

For additional information on the 33 credit-hour program, go to www.niagara.edu/interdisciplinary/index.htm.

Moving On Up!

Off-Campus Housing Available



Off-campus housing is available for you less than 10 minutes away at The Jefferson Presidential Apartments in downtown Niagara Falls.

This elegant building enjoys a 1920s-style interior architecture with a newly renovated and treasured design for the 2000s. The apartment homes boast nine-foot ceilings that are accented by crown molding. The kitchens are finished off with rich granite tile countertops, and the dining areas have built-in china cabinets. Hardwood floors have been beautifully restored throughout the kitchen and dining areas, and wall-to-wall carpeting has been installed throughout the other rooms. This building truly represents New York "Manhattan" style living with the convenience of everything downtown Niagara Falls has to offer.

The
Jefferson
Presidential



is conveniently located on the bus route to Niagara University. You can also enjoy many of the area's attractions and a fabulous nightlife all within a short distance. You're always within walking, driving or biking distance from whatever you need. After all, it's all about location.

For leasing information and rental rates, please contact Kayla Smith in the leasing office at 716-285-6050 or visit us on the Web at www.jeffersonniagara.com.

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