

JMU Graduate Community News

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DUKE HALL GALLERY OF FINE ART, located in Duke Hall, is rolling out an exciting Fall 2018 exhibition schedule and event lineup. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 am-5 pm, and select additional times for special events. The new season opens with *The 613 by Archie Rand* on view from **September 11th through October 13th, 2018**. [More Information](#) [Fall Calendar](#)

GRAD 550E: DATA MANAGEMENT SKILLS Are your files named "Finalpaper.docx," "Finalpaper2.docx," and "FINALFinalpaper2.docx?" Are you drowning in data? Buried in spreadsheets? This 8-week course introduces data management skills and will help you explore data management from idea conception to post-project completion. Students will explore the skills they have developed as data consumers to become effective data producers. Students will examine data used in scholarly communications and will help them prepare for advanced scholarship, such as developing journal articles, technical reports, theses, dissertations, and other scholarly works. The course is open to

graduate students enrolled in any program. The class will meet **Jan 22 - March 19, Tuesdays, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**, in Festival Telepresence room 6. For more information, contact Yasmeen Shorish (shorisyl@jmu.edu).

THE COHEN CENTER IS OPEN TO ALL GRADUATE STUDENTS!

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Madison Hall, Room 4000

Events:

October 12, 12:00 pm - John Jennings:
The Cipher Back to Here

October 17, 3:30 pm - Amy Lewis: Self Reflection as an Act of
Coming to Consciousness: Where do I Fit in the Cycle and
Structure of Oppression.

October 25, 3:30 pm - Sentient Selves: Pop Culture Reconsiders
the Human



FREE CAREGIVER-INFANT PLAY/MOVEMENT-BASED GROUPS. Graduate students Victoria Olszowy and Kristyn Peters, and Dr. Amy Russell Yun of the JMU Occupational Therapy program are seeking participants for a research project. The groups will be held in JMU's Occupational Therapy Clinical Education Services (OTCES) building on campus, **October 2 - November 5**. [More Information](#)

Upcoming Events

THE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION will begin taking applications for Professional Development Grants **Monday, October 1**. The application link will be on the [GSA Facebook](#) page. Deadline for these GSA awarded grants is **October 15**. The next monthly meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 3, 6:00-7:00 pm** in the Cohen Center. Grant winners will be announced **Monday, November 5** thru email, social media and at the monthly meeting **Wednesday, November 7, 6:00-7:00 pm** in the Cohen Center.

CAREERS IN CYBERSECURITY. A World of Possibilities and Opportunities! Rodney Petersen, Director of the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in the U.S. Department of Commerce will explain how you can get started on a career pathway on **Wednesday, October 3, 4:00 pm** in ISAT/CS 259

HOMELESS VETERANS IN OUR COMMUNITY NEED YOUR HELP. Michael Wong, Executive Director of the Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority will discuss Commerce Village, a small apartment complex that is currently housing 15 previously homeless veterans on **Thursday, October 4, 6:00 pm** at Chimney Rock VFW Post 9660, Corner of 259 and Runions Creek Road in Broadway, VA. Get involved and make a difference.

THE GREAT UNCERTAINTY: LONG TERM IMPACT OF THE POLITICAL DIVIDE AT HOME AND ABROAD will be presented by former House Majority Leader Eric Cantor will be speaking on **Monday, October 8, 5:00-6:30 pm** in Madison Hall Conference Room (Room 1001).

BEST-SELLING AUTHOR JOHN GRISHAM TO HOST "WRITERS HOUR". John Grisham will host fellow best-selling author and musician James McBride for the first **John Grisham Writers Hour**. The event will be a casual conversation about books, publishing and the writing process. **October 17, 4:00-**

5:15 pm in the Concert Hall of the Forbes Center for the Performing Arts. There will also be a Q and A session with James McBride on **Oct 17, 2:00-3:00 pm** in Hotel Madison Classroom 0255. Guests must enter through the Hart School entrance, which is located in the back of Hotel Madison (parking deck side) closest to Martin Luther King Way.

HEALING CHRONIC ILLNESS IN A TOXIC WORLD -- A PARADIGM SHIFT IN MEDICINE. This one-day integrative health conference will bring together clinicians, home health specialists, and public policy officials to launch an expanded perspective on healing, managing and preventing chronic disease. Sessions and hands-on workshops will approach health and healing. **Saturday, October 27, 7:30 am - 6:00 pm.** [Register Here](#) Use code: **STUDENT** for a \$30 student rate. Students also should contact Professor Chris Fasching-Maphis; faschicx@jmu.edu to express interest in attending.

FORMER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS Nick Rahall, a Democrat who represented West Virginia, and Jim Coyne, a Republican who represented Pennsylvania, will discuss the future of American political discourse. The presentation will focus on ways that we can work across political difference in the service of the public good. **November 1, 3:30 pm** in Grafton-Stovall Theatre.

UPCOMING ENGAGEMENT FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD CONFERENCE November 7-9 [More Information](#)

LEADING CHANGE INAUGURAL CONFERENCE. Christy Coleman will be the keynote speaker at the Leading Change: Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Leadership Studies Conference. Ms. Coleman has served as the Chief Executive Officer of The American Civil War Museum since 2013 and was recently recognized by Time Magazine as one of "[31 People Who Are Changing the South.](#)" Ms. Coleman will discuss leading during times of social change and how academics can support organizational leaders. #LEADCC19 will be held **Thursday February 21 & Friday February 22, 2019** at the Hotel Madison Conference Center. This conference is sponsored by the School of Strategic Leadership Studies.

For additional events of possible interest, regularly check <http://www.jmu.edu/events>

Downtown Calendar

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION will be viewing the JMU vs Villanova game at **Brothers Brewery, October 3, 6:00-7:00 pm.**

JMU WIND SYMPHONY at Forbes Center for the Performing Arts, **October 3, 8:00 pm.** [More Information and Ticket Purchase](#)

WEEKLY TRIVIA NIGHTS Mondays – [Brother's Craft Brewery](#) 4:00-11:00 pm, Wednesdays – [Pale Fire Brewery](#) 8:00-10:00 pm.

THE DOO WOP PROJECT at Forbes Center for the Performing Arts, **Friday, October 5, 8:00 pm.** [More Information and Ticket Purchase](#)

COLLEGE NIGHT at [The Artful Dodger](#) every **Tuesday night at 8:00 pm.**

SKELETON FEST Harrisonburg's pre-Halloween party blends aspects of Halloween and Dia de los Muertos in a big, community celebration. **October 20, 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm** at Turner Pavilion & Park.

Graduate School Dates & Deadlines

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| GLOBAL OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE | 11/01/18 |
| REGISTRATION FOR SPRING 2019 SEMESTER BEGINS | 11/05/18 |
| MAY 2019 GRADUATION APPLICATIONS DUE | 11/15/18 |
| COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT RESULTS & THESES/RESEARCH | 11/15/18 |

Tips from TGS (The Graduate School)

Graduate Policies. You are responsible to read and follow the graduate policies set forth in the [Graduate Catalog](#). Important information regarding degree progress, including rules for successful progression and continuous enrollment are also on the [Graduate School website](#)

Approval of a Thesis or Dissertation Committee. Students who are completing these sorts of projects must submit a signed approval form to The Graduate School by the second week of the semester in which the student first registers for thesis or dissertation credits. [Approval form](#)

Monitor your Dukes E-Mail account! Official information is sent to each student's official [Dukes e-mail account](#). Check your @dukes.jmu.edu e-mail account on a regular basis.

Monitor MyMadison! The *Student Center* in [MyMadison](#) is where you will find advising information, register for classes, and where you can view "To Do Items" that will keep you on track towards graduation. Use the Student Center to update your mailing address and cell phone number. It is **your responsibility** to maintain accurate contact information. Check your account regularly. Don't miss important information!

Essential Links:

- [Graduate School Website](#)
- [Graduate Policies](#)
- [JMU Student Handbook](#)
- [Forms for Graduate Students](#)
- [Thesis Guidelines](#)
- [Financial Aid Policies](#)

Have Questions? Please contact the following person if you have questions regarding:

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| Assistantships/Scholarships/Thesis/Dissertations | Laura Ryman (rymanle@jmu.edu) |
| Graduation/Commencement/Transfer of Credit | Kathryn Brown (wendelkt@jmu.edu) |
| Continuous Enrollment (Current Students) | Laura Ryman (rymanle@jmu.edu) |
| Initial Enrollment (Unable to Begin Program) | Sheree Will (willsa@jmu.edu) |
| General Questions | Pamela Bell (grad@jmu.edu) |

We welcome suggestions for this newsletter, including events and opportunities. Please send your submission to grad@jmu.edu.

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