JMU Graduate Community News

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April 8, 2019

JMU’S SHOWCASE OF GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES The Graduate School is pleased to invite you to the 2019 Showcase of Graduate Research and Creative Activities. Please join in our celebration of an outstanding year of engaged activities by JMU’s graduate students! Located in the spectacular new Hall of Presidents, the Showcase will be a day-long event featuring conference presentations, poster displays, art installations, music performances, three minute thesis presentations, and an awards reception honoring graduate students for scholarship, engagement and innovation. Attend all or any part of the event. Refreshments will be served throughout, with an array of hors d’oeuvres provided during the grand reception. **Wednesday, April 17**, top floor of the new D-Hall - The Hall of Presidents. [Detailed Schedule]

“INTEGRITY, CIVILITY AND GRACE; YESTERDAY’S VIRTUES?” is the theme for the 2019 Foreign Languages – Integrity Conference to be held at James Madison University **April 11-12**. This conference brings together scholars/researchers and students from across the country representing a variety of disciplines to look at virtues such as integrity, civility and grace, and their value throughout the history of humankind. For more information contact JMU Foreign Languages, Literatures and Cultures: 540 568-6128

VOLUNTEER AT MADIPALOOZA 2019 to help make JMU’s 9th Annual Madipalooza the best one yet! This year’s event will take place on **Saturday, April 13**. JMU students, staff & faculty members can sign up to volunteer and will receive a free t-shirt and can participate as an attendee before and after their shift. If interested please fill out [this survey](#). [More Information or email]

YES, PLEASE: WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP & NETWORKING DINNER is a chance for JMU students, faculty, and staff to explore personal leadership strengths and styles. Students will learn 5 leadership lessons that are inspired by well-known, female comedians and then apply these lessons in building their own leadership philosophy. Outstanding faculty and staff from across campus will be present to
share their own journeys and life-leadership lessons as well. **Tuesday, April 16, 6-8 pm** in Madison Union Ballroom. This event is FREE and includes dinner. Space is limited. Sign up [here](mailto:pelfrecm@jmu.edu). Questions – email pelfrecm@jmu.edu

**THE DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP SERIES** will introduce graduate students and faculty to the theories and practices of digital scholarship, promote a community of digital scholars and explore the relationship between digital scholarship, digital pedagogy, and scholarly communication. Sessions can be completed as a series, or individually, depending on your needs and interests. Sessions start **May 5**. [More Information](mailto:askthelibrary@jmu.edu).

**NEW GSA OFFICERS** have been selected and will assume their new roles in August 2019. The new executive members are:

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**VIDEOGRAPHER NEEDED!** JMU’s Office of Communication and Marketing is seeking a student with appropriate experience to produce video content to promote graduate education at JMU. All equipment and training provided. $7.50/hour, 10 hrs/week throughout the 2019-20 academic year. Summer employment also possible. [More information](mailto:)

**LOOKING FOR A GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP?** There are 18 positions currently posted on [JMU Joblink](https://joblink.jmu.edu).

**NEED A JOB?** There are currently 43 student positions and 9 wage positions posted on [JMU Joblink](https://joblink.jmu.edu).

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**Upcoming Events**

**DECEPTION SCHOLAR AND DEVELOPER OF THE DECEPTION DETECTION VIDEO GAMES MACBETH AND VERITAS,** Dr. Norah Dumbar will host an open discussion about her research and scholarship. Lunch provided by the [Cohen Center](https://www.coen.jmu.edu/). Open to the JMU community. **Monday, April 8, noon-1:00 pm**, Madison Hall 4000.

**WOMEN’S, GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES FILMS:**

- **City of Joy (2016)** – An inspirational film about a transformational leadership community for women survivors of gender-based violence in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. **Monday, April 8, 7-9:00 pm** in the Planetarium
- **Roll Red Roll (2018)** - A documentary investigation of rape culture in small-town Steubenville, Ohio, where members of the high school football team assaulted a teenage girl at a preseason football party. **Monday, April 15 @ 5:30 pm** in Miller 1101

**ATTEND FULBRIGHT INFORMATION SESSIONS** to learn about requirements, deadlines, and application tips for Fulbright English Teaching Assistant (ETA) grants. Choose one workshop and

- **English Teaching Assistant Workshop** (2 Sessions) **Monday, April 8, 6:00 pm**, Madison Union 405 and **Tuesday, April 9, 4:00 pm**, Madison Union 306
Research/Study Workshop (2 Sessions) **Tuesday, April 9, 5:00 pm**, Festival Highlands Room  
**Wednesday, April 10, 10:30 am**, Madison Union 306

**JMU LIBRARIES INVITE YOU TO GET YOUR SAUCE ON AT THEIR PIZZASPRINT!** Ingredients will be provided and Tassie Pippert, of the Hart School of Hospitality, will provide a professional kitchen and helpful hints to complete the challenge! Bring your creativity and appetite. Creations will be judged by a panel of pizza experts! **Wednesday, April 10** in Godwin 353. There will be 2 sessions, one at **6:00 pm** and one at **7:30 pm**; space is limited!

**JMU’S SHOWCASE OF GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES** invites all graduate students to attend this event, which highlights accomplishments in research and creative projects by your graduate peers, through presentations, poster sessions, displays and a musical performance. The event concludes with a reception in which these and other awards are presented. **Wednesday, April 17.**  
[More Information, Poster]

**GREEN TOURISM CONFERENCE.** Virginia’s 6th Annual conference features discussions on environmental issues, trends and innovative practices that are affecting tourism today. In addition, the conference offers great learning and career development opportunities and features award-winning green tourism operators in Virginia. **April 24-25** at Hotel Madison. Discounted rates for faculty and students are being offered. Student - $60 for the entire conference (no code necessary) or $30 for a single day of attendance (discount code is "19StudentDay"). Faculty rate for full conference is $95 (discount code is “19FacultyConf”) & $55 for a single day of attendance (discount code is “19FacultyDay”). For more information contact Tom Griffin at VirginiaGreen@Virginia.org.  
[Conference and registration information]

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### Graduate School Dates & Deadlines

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<td>The Graduate School May Commencement Ceremony – Convocation Center</td>
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### Downtown Calendar

**PIRATES OF PENZANCE** by Gilbert and Sullivan, is now showing at The Forbes Center for the Performing Arts. **Monday April 8 to Tuesday, April 9, 8-9:00 pm.**  
[More information]
LEARN TO MACRAME with Kristin Lewis, at Lucy F. Simms, 620 Simms Ave, Harrisonburg. This FREE event is open to all backgrounds and ages. Materials are provided. **Thursday, April 11, 5-8:00 pm.** For questions and to reserve your spot contact info.themakingspace@gmail.com

24 HOUR PROJECT 2019. Join Court Square Theater for this fantastic fun fundraising event, starring your friends, neighbors, Harrisonburg comedians and bands! Events include Karaoke, an after-hours DJ dance party, a Tommy Wiseau impersonation contest, plus the chance to win incredible door prizes. 24 Hours: **Friday, April 12, 6 pm – Saturday, April 13, 6 pm** at Court Square Theater. [More Information]

ROCKSTAR VA/270 MILE RACE/EVENT a biking event from Harrisonburg (Rocktown) to the Star City starts at Black Sheep Coffee, Harrisonburg, **Saturday, April 13, 7 am – Thursday, April 18, 9 pm.** [More Information]

HOPE4VILLAGES 3RD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT. A day of golfing while doing good for others. All golfers are invited to play, no handicap required. Come as a team or come alone, we will gladly pair you up with a team. **April 13, 7:30 - 1:00 pm,** Heritage Oaks Golf Course, 680 Garbers Church Rd, Harrisonburg. [More Information]

SG BIRTHDAY BASH WITH “SINCERELY IRISH” LIVE Singer/songwriter Todd Murray entertains at Friendly Fermenter, 20 South Mason St., Suite B10, Harrisonburg, **Thursday, April 18, 7-10 pm.** His sound can be summed up best as “road trip music.” New batches of beer on hand. [More Information]

Tips from TGS (The Graduate School)

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

**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](mailto:). Regularly check your @dukes.jmu.edu e-mail account.

**Monitor MyMadison!** The [Student Center](http://) in [MyMadison](http://) 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](http://)
- [Graduate Policies](http://)
- [JMU Student Handbook](http://)
- [Forms for Graduate Students](http://)
- [Thesis Guidelines](http://)
- [Financial Aid Policies](http://)

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

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

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