



Student Activities

Student Faculty Research in Chemistry

Michelle Morton and Nediarka Jordanova (Chemistry) recently attended the 49th Annual Sanibel Symposium for Computational Chemistry, where they presented a poster entitled "Theoretical Study of Low-Energy Hydrocarbon and Fluorocarbon Deposition on Polymer and Crystalline Surfaces". The work presented resulted from undergraduate research funded by an NSF grant.



Professor Jordanova also took members of the Chemistry Club to the 6th Annual Lectureship Award Symposium (March 2, 2009), where they presented the same poster.

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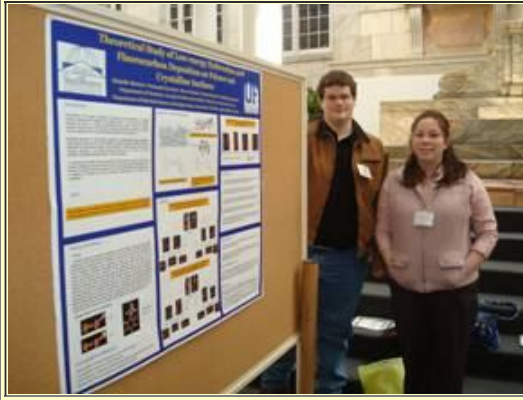
Meet Jamie MacLennan



Jamie MacLennan came to GSW in the fall of 2008 as an assistant professor in sociology specializing in environmental sociology and outdoor recreation. He received his Master's and Ph.D. from Rutgers University in New Jersey in 2005. The subject of his doctoral dissertation is the social processes among long-distance hikers on the Appalachian Trail. He is currently revising a manuscript for the journal *Leisure Sciences*.

GSW's Shining Star





Pictures from a Geology Field Trip

Student's from Burt Carter's Geomorphology class took a field trip to Florida the weekend of March 7-8. Here are couple of the sights they visited.



A karst window at Falmouth Springs, FL. The small stream

Jeffrey Green (Dramatic Arts) was recognized at the state capitol by State Rep. Bob Smith as one of the University System of Georgia's "Shining Stars" on Feb. 26. As the Vice Chairman of Appropriations for the Higher Education Sub-Committee, representative Smith periodically recognizes faculty, staff and students from institutions throughout the University System.

In September, Green was selected by Region IV of the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF) to receive the 2008 Teaching Artist Award. This award was given in recognition of Green's reputation and achievement as a teacher and as an artist and in honor of his record of dedication to KCACTF. Green earned a Bachelor of Science in Communication and a Master of Fine Arts in Theater from Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. He was nominated for the "Shining Star" recognition by the University System of Georgia, based on a recommendation from the Georgia Southwestern Office of University Relations.

GSW Herbarium Visit



The GSW Herbarium and its curator, Dr. Robert Norris, were privileged to host a visit recently by Dr. Wendy Zomlefer, curator of the University of Georgia Herbarium and her colleagues, Dr. David Giannasi and Kristian Jones. A herbarium is a collection of pressed, dried, and labeled plant specimens which are used as references for plant identification, location, and habitat among other individual and population traits. At GSW, the herbarium includes almost 15,000 specimens most

runs into a cave at the base of the wall behind the students. It begins at a cave spring in the base of a similar wall about 100m behind the photographer. A karst window is a place where a spring appears in one end of a collapsed segment of cave and then disappears at the other end. The water usually ends up in the Suwannee River about two miles away, but when there has been little rain in the immediate area and lots in Okefenokee (or upstream somewhere else) then the river is higher than the groundwater table and the flow reverses.



Here the students are at Hanna Park north of Jacksonville Beach, where they learned that a beach has more than two parts.

Upcoming Third World Studies Seminar

“Russia and the Near Abroad” is the subject of Georgia Southwestern State University’s Third World in Perspective Program seminar from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 25, in the GSW Student Success Center, adjoining conference rooms 2410, 2413, and 2417. The public is invited and encouraged to attend this free program. The

of which have been collected by Dr. Norris over the last 30 years. Approximately 15% of the specimens are from Georgia with the remainder mainly from the western U.S. Dr. Zomlefer said "Dr. Norris has made a significant contribution to Georgia Southwestern State Univ. with his generous donation -- and a significant contribution to the floristics of Georgia as well, through his field work and previous exchange program with other herbaria." You have "a great facility and a great collection!" The GSW Herbarium is located in Jackson Hall and is supported by the Biology Department.

Chuck's Been Busy



Chuck Huffman did an invited presentation, “And Now for Something Completely Different: Effective Demonstrations & Activities for the Introductory Psychology Course” at the 21st Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Teaching of Psychology in Atlanta on February 28, 2009.

Chuck also presented, “Walk Before You Run: A WebQuest Promoting Information Literacy” at the Getting Connected: Best Practices in Technology-Enhanced Teaching & Learning in Psychology Conference in Atlanta.

Nedialka Iordanova Awarded Research Fellowship



Nedialka Iordanova (Chemistry) has been selected as a Visiting Fellow for 2009-2010 at the Emerson Center, which is at Emory University. Professor

program will feature presentations by two members of the GSW History and Political Science Department: Richard C. Hall, Ph.D., professor of history, "Russia and the Caucasus;" and Brian R. Parkinson, Ph.D., assistant professor of history, "Russia and Central Asia." A question/answer/discussion period will follow. Harold Isaacs, Ph.D., professor emeritus of history, will serve as moderator. The forum is co-sponsored by the Department of History and Political Science, the Georgia Southwestern Foundation, Inc., the Division of Continuing Education, and the Association of Third World Studies, Inc.

Iordanova will spend the month of July there doing research using different computational methods.

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