Since graduating from Grenada High School in 2006, Kathryn Harlow has been a part of the Delta State Community. Harlow received her undergraduate degree this past May. During her time here as an undergraduate student Harlow served as Kappa Delta Sorority President and was involved in other organizations on campus. Kathryn began working in Graduate Studies this summer as a Graduate Assistant. Since then, she is now employed full time at DSU as the Graduate Recruiter in Graduate Studies. After attending several Graduate Recruiting Fairs throughout the state and Tennessee Kathryn says, “I have enjoyed having the personal contact with the graduate students of Delta State. I have learned so much in the short amount of time I have been in the office and I look forward to what is to come.”

Outreach

The Graduate Assistants in the Graduate Studies office have hit the road to recruit potential graduate students. We have traveled to Ole Miss, Jackson State University, Mississippi Valley State University, and Rhodes College in Memphis, TN. Our recruiting efforts have brought new names and faces to our office. Upnik Patel, Gina Whitmire, and Beth Ann Youngblood are the Graduate Assistants who are traveling to show potential students what Delta State has to offer. “It’s important to meet and establish a relationship with Delta State’s potential students” says Upnik Patel, current MPA student. Mississippi State and Southern Mississippi are next on the recruiting calendar and we are very excited about the expected results.

Program Spotlight

The newest program in the Graduate School is the Master of Science in Sports and Human Performance. Dr. Milton Wilder will be the coordinator for the new program along with being the coordinator for the existing Master of Education in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation. The new program was approved by the Institution of Higher Learning early in 2010. The program has three concentrations; sports management, human performance, and physical education. The 36-credit hour program typically entails two years of graduate study and will prepare students for professional careers in human performance, fitness management and athletic administration. For more information about the Master of Science in Sports and Human Performance please contact Tim Colbert at or 662-846-4555, or at tcolbert@deltastate.edu.

Student Spotlight

Terry Johnston is a future History teacher for our area schools. Terry has lived on the Mississippi Coast for the past 15 years and during his time there he received his bachelors degree in History from University of Southern Mississippi. Johnston then received a fellowship to the Graduate School of his choice from the James Madison Foundation. Terry is currently the Branch Librarian for the Shelby and Merigold branches of the Bolivar County Library. After graduation this Fall, Terry hopes to teach in an area public school and eventually teach at the college level. When asked what advice he would give to other students, Johnston states “follow your dreams and shoot for the stars. You only go around once in this life and you need to be happy in what you do.”

IRB Policy Changes

The DSU Institutional Review Board will be revising IRB policies this academic year. Go to this link—http://www.deltastate.edu/pages/2515.asp—to review the existing policy and send any comments to Dr. Albert Nylander, DSU’s IRB Chair. According to Dr. Nylander one change will be that all investigators requesting research review clearance will need to submit, along with other IRB documents, a certificate of completion for human subjects protection before the request will be considered. There is a free web-based training course for protecting human research participants at The National Institutes of Health website below. For more information, contact the Graduate Studies office at 846-4700.

http://phrp.nihtraining.com/users/login.php