Message from Dean Walker

Grace O, along with Professor Kim Reimann, led us on a successful visit to six different universities in South Korea the week of October 14-19. We especially enjoyed our visit to EWHA University, which claims Grace as an alum. Another interesting visit was Hanyang University, whose president, Dr. Duck-Ho Lim, received his Ph.D. in Economics from Rice University. So he and I could share stories about Professors Peter Mieszkowski and Bill Brown. We are working on the possibility of joint masters degrees with these universities. EWHA University offers an interesting opportunity to our faculty. If you would like to teach in their summer program (I think the time is 3-4 weeks), they will provide housing and airfare and pay somewhere around $4,000. Grace and I can give you contact information if you are interested. Teaching is, of course, in English. Grace added a lot of fun to the trip, too. She took us to a local Korean restaurant, where we ate octopus. No, not flash-fried calamari; it was actual octopus. She also instructed us in the use of stainless steel chopsticks.

The GSU delegation in Korea (seated left to right): Risa Palm, provost; Mark Becker, president; YoungKwan Yoon, professor of international relations at Seoul National University and former minister of foreign affairs; Dean Larry Berman(Honors College); (Standing left to right) Kim Reimann, associate professor (Political Science) and director of Asian Studies; Maryann Romski, acting dean (College of Arts and Sciences), Mary Beth Walker, dean (Andrew Young School of Policy Studies); Fenwick Huss, dean (J.Mack Robinson School of Business); Steve Karminshine, dean (Law); Jun Liu, associate provost (Office of International Initiative); and Grace O, clinical assistant professor (Economics).
Publications


Presentations

Nancy Kropf, associate dean for research and strategic planning (AYSPS) and professor (Social Work), was the keynote speaker at the Gerontological Society of America and John A. Hartford Foundation Institute for Geriatric Social Work Scholars on October 19 in Washington, D.C. The title of her presentation was, “Swimming in the Deep End: The Future of Geriatric Social Work Education.”

Paul Ferraro, professor (Economics), was the plenary speaker at the American Evaluation Association’s annual meeting in Washington, D.C., on October 18, 2013. Ferraro also presented “Can Panel Data Designs and Estimators as Substitutes for Randomized Controlled Trials in the Evaluation of Environmental Programs?” at the University of Wyoming on September 27, 2013.

Kristie Seelman, assistant professor (Social Work), served as a workshop presenter at the 2013 Carolina Conference for Queer Youth in Charlotte, N.C., on October 18, 2013. The title of Seelman’s workshop was: “Heterosexism and Cisgenderism in High Schools: Tackling the Problem at Multiple Levels.”

Community Activities and Outreach

Paul Ferraro, professor (Economics), made a public presentation to the acting director and deputy director of EPA Region 4 in Atlanta on October 23, 2013, on “The Best Clean Air Act Approaches to Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Existing Power Plants.”
Media Hits

Debra Klausner, clinical associate professor (Social Work), was featured in the article, “The Tools to Teach in New Ways: Georgia State’s New Learning Management System: Desire2Learn,” in the Georgia State University Information Systems and Technology Year in Review newsletter. Klausner, discusses her transformation in incorporating technology into her teaching. Read the full article here:


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