The Western Wave

Campus News

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT ON AUGUST 9-10 - STUDENT AND WESTERN ALUMNI RATE $79! PLUS WESTERN WILL HOST TWO LUNCHES
Are you attending the Leadership Summit: Lead Where You Are on August 9-10? As a student or Western alumna/us you can receive a special rate of $79 ($190 off). For more information about this event, pick up your red bookmark in the front lobby or see the Community Calendar. Western Seminary will host lunch for anyone Western (staff, faculty, alumni, students) on:

August 9 - Church on the Hill, San Jose Hosted by Dr. Gary Tuck and Western staff

August 10 - Sunset Church, San Francisco Hosted by Dr. Randy Roberts, President of Western Seminary

Please RSVP by August 6 if you will be attending one of the Western-hosted lunches so we can get a head count. In addition, Western Seminary will also be present at Central Peninsula Church in Foster City.

IMPORTANT: FALL 2012 REGISTRATION CHANGES FOR ALL CREDIT STUDENTS!
Since the fall syllabi were posted online a little late, we've extended open registration through Tuesday, August 7. You may continue to add and drop classes through August 27 but late fees will apply after August 7. Credit students must be registered for their courses by August 27! (This does not apply to Non-credit/audit students). Be sure that you’ve clicked “Submit for Approval” when registering through S.I.S. so there are no delays in registration. After the August 27 deadline, credit students will need to submit an Academic Petition to add a class (for credit or audit). However, if you would like to register for an Independent or Individualized Study course, please submit your form and syllabus by August 12. You may register for Distance Education session C courses (which start October 22) through October 15. However, keep in mind that if you are applying for financial aid that you won’t receive your funding until you are registered for class/es.

Please note that all credit students will need to check in that they have read all of the syllabi for the classes they are registered for by September 8, the end of the first week of the fall semester. See course syllabi for instructions who to report to. The Fall 2012 Class Schedule is posted.

Please remember that prior to registering for fall 2012 classes, you’ll be required to check in with your advisor, either in person or over the phone. Don’t wait until the last minute. Summer is a busy time for everyone with regard to vacations, so we encourage you to plan ahead. If you have plans to graduate in the 2012-13 academic year, make sure to inform your advisor so s/he can help you plan out a successful plan of completion. Questions? Contact Carrie Priest.

WORLD RELIGIONS CLASS THIS FALL 2012!
Americas religious landscape has changed dramatically in the past 30 years. The world’s religions are no longer “over there.” They’re also right here, in America’s cities, towns, neighborhoods, schools and businesses. The visibility and proximity of these religions has

(continued on next page)
CAMPUS NEWS (continued)

led to new challenges for Christians. As Max Warren says, “The impact of agnostic science will turn out to be child’s play compared to the challenge to Christian theology of the faiths of other men.”

World Religions is an obvious requirement for a degree in missions. But in reality, every student who wants to be adequately prepared for ministry in the 21st century should graduate from Western Seminary with a working knowledge of the vital and enticing religions in our midst. It will no longer suffice to say, “they’re wrong, we’re right”. The questions being asked by Christians in our churches, and secular people in our culture, are much deeper than that.

The World’s Religions course (DIS 526S) will take you on a journey through the faiths of Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Judaism, Islam and Mormonism. You will read primary source texts but also meet real local people who are devout Hindus, Buddhists and Muslims. We will have lunch together at a nearby mosque and observe their Friday prayer service. You will venture out on your own to see first hand the religions being practiced right here in the Bay Area.

When the course is over, you will have a new depth of appreciation for the grace and mercy found in Christ, new tools for evangelizing, and you will be able to help your church family navigate the bewildering truth claims of the world’s religions.

Download the syllabus for more info.

Fun Facts

JOAN EDWARDS
Western Seminary adjunct professor

Joan is one of our newest adjunct professors at Western Seminary. She taught the Clinical Foundations (CNS 501S) class at the San Jose campus this summer 2012. Joan is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who received her Master’s degree in Marriage and Family Therapy from Western Seminary in 2009. She also received a Bachelor’s degree in English Literature from Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, NY in 1973. Joan was employed in the software industry for ten years and then devoted herself to raising her children and to ministry before enrolling at Western. She has two grown daughters, two step daughters, and five step grandchildren. Joan enjoys counseling individuals, couples, and families. She currently works both in San Jose at the Christian Counseling Center and in Pleasanton at Trinity Life Counseling. Also, she is affiliated with the Addiction Recovery Center (ARC) in San Jose, helping families recover from the ravages of sexual addiction.

• Favorite Vacation Spots: Fiji! I went there after graduating from Western to visit a friend, who is a missionary, and her husband, who is Fijian. Fiji is breathtakingly beautiful, and its people are the most hospitable I’ve ever met.
• Favorite movies: It's A Wonderful Life. It reminds me that my life does make a difference, even if it is only one person at a time.
• Free time: I love time with family and friends AND time alone with God (I’m right in the middle of the extrovert-introvert continuum).
• Faith Walk: I did not become a Christian until I was 30 years old. Before that, I explored myriad of other religions, philosophies, workshops, swamis, gurus...
• Most Unique Job: After college (in the 70’s) I went to Europe with a backpack and a friend named Doris. After five months, we both ran out of money. She left and I got a job as a tour guide on the island of Corfu, Greece.
• Life Verse: Romans 8:28 “God works all things together for good for those who love him and are called according to his purposes.” Over and over, after enough time passes, I realize that God is using what I thought was bad in my life to bring good to me and others.
• Hidden Talents: I can juggle. Hand me three balls and watch me go. :)
DISCOVER HOW TO HELP PEOPLE BECOME ALL GOD INTENDED

- thriving in life
- ready to take action
- awareness gained
- new vision
- strengths utilized more effectively
- faith in what God can do through us
- openness to new ideas, change, and growth
- results that are lasting and effective
- moving forward with maximized potential
- expanding the horizon of possibilities
- different from the inside out

DISCOVER COACHING
Wednesday, September 5
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
A free Western Seminary event.
Location: Western Seminary San Jose
469 El Camino Real, Ste. 205, Santa Clara 95050
PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 3
with Lisa Mueller at lmuller@westernseminary.edu
or (408) 356-6889 x 415
More info at http://westerncoaching.com

Western Seminary
San Jose Campus

Campus Connection
DISCOVERY SESSION

An informational event for those who long to advance the gospel as

- AUTHORS
- LIFE COACHES
- PASTORS
- SERVANTS
- THERAPISTS
- CHAPLAINS

September 15
MFT Specific
September 29
Ministry Specific
October 13
Ministry & MFT

SAN JOSE CAMPUS
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
REGISTER NOW
DEVELOPING & DELIVERING LIFE-CHANGING MESSAGES
(for women only)

Registration has already started!

Course code: PCW 515S
Meets on: October 5 & 6 and November 16 & 17
Time: 9am - 4:30pm
Credit hours: 2
Professor: Dr. Phyllis Bennett
Location: Western Seminary San Jose

If you’re a woman with a dream to speak to women, in particular, to teach them the Word of God, then PCW 515S is for YOU!

Come discover the essential elements needed to prepare and deliver biblically sound, relevant, and life-transforming messages for today’s women.
In this class you will:

➢ Discover one’s God-given uniqueness and its impact on the speaking arena.
➢ Understand the diversity of needs in one’s listening audience, particularly among women and how to meet them.
➢ Acquire exegetical and expository preaching skills needed for creating biblically sound messages.
➢ Locate and/or create life-transforming, strategically-placed illustrations by being alert to life.
➢ Learn to deliver messages with a clear and reachable purpose in a natural and effective manner.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
For audit (Use the Non-credit application) ...........Friday, September 28, 2012
Go to www.westernseminary.edu and “How to Apply” to download the application.
If you are a current student in a degree program, it’s not too late to register through S.I.S. The fall application deadline has passed. New students will only be able to audit this course.

The first 5 registrants will have the opportunity to have dinner with Dr. Bennett on Oct. 4!
A New Addition to the Western Family!

On Monday, June 26th at 1:56 pm Western’s MFT Administrative Coordinator Dan Jackowitz & his wife Cindy welcomed Elizabeth (“Ellie”) Wei-Li Jackowitz into the world. She weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19.5 inches long. Mother & Baby are both doing well and the family would love your prayers for health and God’s favor on Ellie & her parents!

Highlights from Commencement 2012!

(more photos on the next page)
From top to bottom (left to right): Amy Elizabeth Adams, MFT; Stephanie Ann Castro, MFT/AS; Rita Chang, MAML (PCW); Elisa Ann Charles, MFT/AS; King-wo Thomas Chiu, MDiv; Matthew Man Chun Chiu, MDiv; Noel Chiu, MDiv; Marie Lynette Collins, MFT; Tony Cruz, MABTS; Iris Ibeth Fernandez, MFT; Catherine Suzanne Fleck, MFT; Timothy Fox, MDiv (not pictured); Danielle Lisa Horne, MAML (PCW); Dawn Jennifer Jacobsen, MFT/AS; Joshua George Kalsbeek, MFT/AS; Will Mathew Kingsbury, MDiv; Satyadev Kolli, MABTS; Helicon L. Kuan, MDiv; Arleen M. Musci, MFT; George Anthony Poliszuk, MFT; David Vincent Rondero, MFT; Lisa Jo Shrewsbury, MFT; Jennifer Catherine Tsai, MFT; Gabriel Yen K. Tseng, MAML; Chang-Yung Tung, MABTS; Kristi Lynn Van Pykeren, MFT/AS