

M.C.P. PERSPECTIVE

December 2002



Deadlines & Due Dates!

- *Field work evaluation forms are due the eighth week of the quarter, February 28, 2003.*
- *Quarterly notification of intent forms are due by February 28, 2003.*
- *Deadlines for applications for graduation are:*

Dec. 6, 2002 - for March 2003.

Feb. 21, 2003 - for June & Aug. 2003.



Due dates for state of Illinois licensure exams

<u>Exam</u>	<u>Application Deadline</u>
April 15, 2003	January 16, 2003
October 21, 2003	July 21, 2003

For IMHCA test preparation workshop dates and information, go to www.imhca.org.

Second year of LSS in full swing

The M.C.P. program introduced the Life Span Services track to its graduate students in 2000. The track provides concentrated study in the area of counseling the aging adult. The track currently has six students, and the first student to complete the track graduated this past August. Numerous inquiries have been made about the post-degree track, and we currently have one master's level student enrolled in that program.

The demand for this type of training is growing tremendously as our country's population continues to age. When the baby boomers step out of middle age, the largest

demographic group will be found within the aging adult. Assisted living, retirement centers and hospice are just a few areas where graduates with skills to help the older adult will be in demand for careers.

The curriculum has been refined over the past two years and can be completed in only 16 credits of electives in addition to MCP 629—Theory and Practice of Counseling and Psychotherapy and a Life Span Services field placement. The original Aging and Health class (four credit hours) has been replaced by a two-credit hour course—Biology of Aging.

The department has a number of

excellent practicum sites to complete the required Life Span Services field placement. They can be found in the field placement books, available in Benedictine Hall room 208 or 358 or at the circulation desk in the library. If a student is interested in pursuing this track, he or she is encouraged to talk to Dr. Karen Meissler early in their academic career. Dr. Meissler can be reached at her office number, (630)-829-6233.



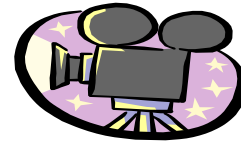
Iaccino publishes Italian film article on Web

Dr. Jim Iaccino recently had an article published in the November 18, 2002 issue of *Kinoeye*, a journal of film focusing on cinema from countries that are considered on the fringes of traditional European filmmaking. His article titled “The Shadow Trickster in Italian horror cinema,” is a Jungian archetypal analysis of two films by *Italian filmmaker* Mario Bava—*Baron Blood* (1972) and *Lisa and the Devil* (1972). In the article, Iaccino examines the simultaneous danger and appeal posed by the “Shadow Trickster” character found in Italian horror cinema.

Kinoeye is a Web-based journal that has its beginnings in the writings of Andrew Horton in a

weekly film column that began in 1998. The journal aims to promote film from the “new Europe” using a variety of writing styles: film reviews, interviews with those in the industry, analytical articles, and book reviews, among others.

To access Dr. Iaccino’s article go to the following Website: www.kinoeye.org.



Winter field placement meeting set

The winter M.C.P. field placement orientation meeting has been set. It will be held on Saturday, January 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Krasa Center Presentation Room. Coffee and rolls will be served.

This meeting is mandatory for all planning to go on their first field placement in 2003 and who have not previously attended an orientation meeting.

Margie Salyer will give a presentation on the do’s and don’ts of placements, prerequisites and paperwork. The M.C.P. Internship Handbook will

be distributed at this very important first step for your practicum work.

It is important to note here that students may not register for more than three credits for fifteen contact hours or less and must have twenty or more contact hours to register for four credits. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Please RSVP your attendance to Elizabeth Summers in the M.C.P. office at (630) 829-6230 or by e-mail at esummers@ben.edu.

Experiential language exam available

The experiential language exam is currently a take-home exam. Those students eligible to take the exam should contact Elizabeth Summers in the M.C.P. office to pick it up.

You are eligible to take the exam if you have completed MCP 629—

Theory and Practice of Counseling Psychotherapy and MCP 607—Counseling Lab. You must wait one quarter after completing MCP 607, and then you may take the exam.

These classes and this exam should be completed during the first year of your graduate studies. Ideally,

this exam should be completed prior to your placement in field work.

The holiday break is an excellent time to take the exam. You have two weeks to complete it without the additional responsibilities of classes.

Suzanne Peroutka to teach art therapy

The M.C.P. department is pleased to announce a weekend course in art therapy to be taught by our new adjunct faculty member Suzanne Peroutka. Ms. Peroutka is a licensed clinical professional counselor (LCPC) and a board-certified registered art therapist (ATR-BC). She earned her master of science in clinical psychology from Benedictine University and a post master of art therapy certification from Adler School of Professional Psychology. She provides short- and long-term insight-orientated art therapy to children, adolescents and adults who have been traumatically abused. Her art therapy skills are also used to successfully treat clients of all ages who suffer from depression, self-esteem issues, anxiety and grief and loss.

Additionally, Ms. Peroutka serves as an adjunct faculty member at the Adler School of Professional Psychology and is in private practice at the Clarus Center in Naperville. She also is the art therapist on staff at Mutual Ground in Aurora.

MCP 650—Art Therapy is on the winter 2003 schedule as a weekend course. The class will meet the weekend of February 21. This class is experiential in design, and students will be required to bring a set of art supplies as noted below.

For further information about the course and the instructor, contact the M.C.P. office at (630) 829-6230.

Field work interviews planned

Margie Salyer is currently responsible for both clinical and non-clinical field placement and internships. As before, much of the day-to-day academic advising and detailed field work planning will be carried out in scheduled individual and group conferences with Ms. Salyer as well as on a drop-in basis and in phone communication. To schedule an appointment you may call Elizabeth Summers at (630) 829-6230.

Dr. Dianne Moran will meet individually with students for PRE-PLACEMENT planning around your professional interest and personal situation related to your internship goals. This meeting is in preparation for YOUR FIRST field placement. Please remember to fill out and bring your green background information sheet to this meeting.

Check the bulletin board outside Dr. Moran's office for interview dates. This meeting should be set up approximately three quarters before your first placement begins. After this meeting with Dr. Moran, you will need to schedule a meeting with Ms. Salyer to finalize your placement plans.

If you are planning your SECOND PLACEMENT you will meet with Ms. Salyer only. There is no need for a pre-placement meeting with Dr. Moran.

PLANNED DATES FOR 2003-04 FIELD PLACEMENT INTER- VIEWS:

Feb 2003 for fall 2003
March 2003 for winter 2004
Oct 2003 for spring 2004
Nov 2003 for summer 2004

Art supplies needed for MCP 650—Art Therapy class

- 1 box oil pastels (16 or more colors)
- 1 box colored pencils (12 or more colors)
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 set of fine point markers (12 or more)
- 1 set of wide point markers (12 or more)



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**SEASONS GREETINGS AND HAPPY
NEW YEAR FROM ALL OF US IN THE
MCP DEPARTMENT!**

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