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### The Department of Teacher Education Monetary Awards



Grants for participation/presenting or attending professional conferences is now available through the Department of Teacher Education.

## **Presenting at a Professional Conference:**

The Teacher Education Department encourages our students, both graduate and undergraduate, to become active scholars and researchers and to present their work at professional conferences. In recognition of our students' excellent work, the Teacher Education Department will grant travel awards up to \$500 to students presenting at professional conferences.

### **Attendance at a Professional Conference:**

The Teacher Education Department encourages our students, both graduate and undergraduate, to become active scholars and researchers. An initial step in this process is to attend a professional conference. In order to encourage student attendance at professional conferences, the Teacher Education Department is giving 10 awards of up to \$250 each.

For more details about either grant, contact Dr. Martha Kinney-Sedqwick (mkinneys@emich.edu)

## **Announcing the Stokes Education Technology Scholarship.**

Dr. Jones has formed a \$500 scholarship for EDMT students. To be eligible for the scholarship, you must be admitted into the EDMT master's degree program in the COE; have a GPA of 3.0 or better, have financial need as determined by the Office of Financial Aid, be the first in your family to pursue a graduate degree and have a demonstrated commitment to infusing educational technology in the classroom.

To apply, go to <a href="http://www.emich.edu/coe/scholarships/index.html">http://www.emich.edu/coe/scholarships/index.html</a> and select Stokes Education Technology Scholarship under Teacher Education Scholarships. You also need to write a 2-3 page essay discussing how you currently infuse - or plan to infuse - educational technology in the classroom, providing examples, and why being the first person in your family to pursue a graduate degree is an important accomplishment. (Be sure to put Stokes Ed Tech Scholarship on your app.)

## 2015 Winter Classes



Registration for winter 2015 classes will start on Wednesday, November 5, 2014.

Registration times are by earned credit hours as follows:

| 8 a.m. - 50 or more | 11 a.m. 30-49 | 2 p.m. - 10-29 | 4 p.m. - 0-9 |

Be sure to refer to your program of study and/or your adviser before registering for classes. (NOTE: You need a program of study to get financial aid and/or graduate.)

# **EDMT** winter 2015 courses being offered:

EDMT 510 CRN 27450 Online Teaching: Introduction - McVey

EDMT 512 CRN 27457 Online Teaching: Practicum - McVey

EDMT 602 CRN 26697 Technology & Student-Centered Learning - Jones

EDMT 603 CRN 26698 Technology Enhanced Learning Environments - Jones (Concurrent prereq: EDMT 602)

EDMT 627 CRN 26699 Advanced Technical Issues - Copeland - (Preregs: EDMT 602)

Check the <u>online schedule of classes</u> for info about foundation & restrictive course offerings.

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## Program Information (program of study, graduation, time to degree, help with writing papers)



**Program of Study:** Be sure to meet with your advisor to create or review your program of study. The program of study is your official guide of the courses needed to complete your graduate studies. It is also used for "financial aid awards and the processing of transfer of credit requests or petitions to waive Graduate School policies" (The Graduate School - New & Current Students).

You should have met with your adviser before or during your first semester in the graduate program so the two of you could design your program of study. However, if you've not met, now is the time to do so.

**Graduation:** Will you be graduating this semester or sometime this year? If so, you must have a current program of study, signed by your adviser, on file with the Office of Records and Registration at the time that you apply to graduate. You should apply for graduation during the first two weeks of the semester in which you hope to graduate. You may apply for graduation via My.Emich. The fee will be billed to your student account.

For more information about graduation, go to the  $\underline{\text{Office of Records and Registration}}$  - Graduation  $\underline{\text{Information}}$  web page.

**Time to Degree:** Students in the master of arts program must graduate within 6 years from the semester their first class was taken.

Students in the graduate certificate program must graduate within 3 years from the semester their first class was taken.

If you find that you will not graduate within the required time due to extenuating circumstances, you may request a waiver of policy by submitting the Petition for Modification/Waiver of Policy form. Go to the <u>Graduate School New & Current Students - Forms & Policies</u> web page and locate the form in General Policies/Time to degree section.

**Help with Writing Papers:** The EMU University Writing Center Online (UWCO) extends writing center support to students who are enrolled in off-campus and online programs. Students in the Educational Media & Technology programs can submit their papers online and receive suggestions and focused strategies for revision.

Feel free to use the UWCO online writing services if you need a second set of eyes to look over your papers before submitting them.

To read about how the online support works and to submit a paper to UWCO for review, go to UWCO (http://www.emich.edu/uwc/uwc-online/index.php).

## News from the EMU Graduate School (in the form of Q & A):

- Q: Limitation of Independent Study credits
  - A: A student can take a maximum of 6 Independent Study toward a masters or certificate program
- Q: Do I and N grades count towards GPA?
  - A: I and N grades do not count towards graduate GPA or towards students' academic standing. All the other letter grades do.
- Q: In case of repeated courses: which grade counts towards the graduate GPA?
  - A: If the grade in the first class taken has been lower than B-, then the student can take the class again. Both grades show up on a transcript, but only the last one (regardless of whether it is better or worse) counts.
- Q: Is the I grade taken off the transcript if the student took the class again?
  - A: Grades remain on the academic record unless a grade change is submitted for the specific course in the term taken.
- Q: Which grades stay on the transcript?
  - A: Only the final grades stay on the transcript.

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**2014 MACUL Google Summit:** Register NOW for the 2014 Michigan Google Summit (miGoogle) at Brighton High School on November 3-4, 2014. Registration deadline is 12pm, October 30, 2014. Four conference highlights you DONT want to miss:

- 8 Full and half-day Hands on Workshops! Additional sections added due to high demand. **REGISTER NOW** @ https://register.macul.org/default.aspx?conference=migoogle 2014
- Opening Keynote Cyrus Mistry, Senior Product Manager, Chromebooks for Education,
   Google. LEARN MORE @ <a href="https://sites.google.com/a/sowashventures.com/migoogle14/home/keynote">https://sites.google.com/a/sowashventures.com/migoogle14/home/keynote</a>
- 95 breakouts sessions on every imaginable Google topic. **VIEW SESSIONS** @ <a href="https://sites.google.com/a/sowashventures.com/migoogle14/conference-sessions-temp">https://sites.google.com/a/sowashventures.com/migoogle14/conference-sessions-temp</a>
- Closing demo slam featuring 8 top technology using educators and product give-away! **LEARN MORE** @ https://sites.google.com/a/sowashventures.com/migoogle14/home/keynote

**MSU 31st Annual Technology Conference:** The 31st Annual MSU College of Education Technology conference will be held on Saturday, November 15th, 2014 on the beautiful campus of Michigan State University in Erickson Hall from 8:30~am-3:00~pm.

Through a continued collaboration between the College of Education, the MSU College of Education Alumni Association and the Master of Arts in Educational Technology Program, this year's conference will be FREE OF CHARGE to all attendees.

**Connect with other educational technology educators and pros:** Check out the EdTekHub at <a href="https://www.iste.org/explore">www.iste.org/explore</a> to

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