

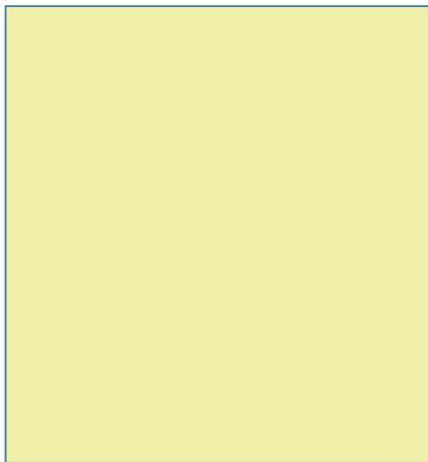
Upcoming Events

First UCD GPP cohort Dinner for the 2015-2016 academic year will be held in October.

GPP plans Spring summit with the UCD School of Education to develop curriculum for Teacher Credential students about the educational challenges of foster children.



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UC Davis Offers new Mentoring Opportunity

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First Admitted Student for 2015-2016

Sederic Grant, (UC Berkeley) has been accepted to the University of California, San Francisco Dental School for 2016-2017. Sederic completed the Dental Post-Bac program at UCSF this past year with an excellent GPA, ensuring his admission. He has wanted to be a dentist since he started college and after his freshman year he attended the Summer Medical and Dental Education Program (SMDEP), sponsored by the AAMC.

New Education Website Coming Soon!

The curriculum for the GPP class Getting Prepared for Graduate School has been adapted into a user-friendly website with three primary sections. *Process and Discovery* helps students explore career and graduate school options and *Getting Things in Order* provides an understanding of the basic requirements for advanced degree programs. *Put Yourself on Paper* explains the essays and information that are needed for a competitive application and provides examples. Students will also find teaching cases about successful students, and a discussion of the 'portals' used with many professional degrees. A companion website has been developed for directors of support programs who may want to develop a class with these materials.

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New Students in UC Davis Cohort

The UC Davis GPP welcomes three new graduate students this fall, with two already involved in classes and student teaching. The UC Davis School of Education starts its teacher credential classes at the same time as the local school districts so that students can be placed in teaching positions in August. Students complete a short-term assignment in the fall and are in charge of their own classroom in the spring, a hands-on approach that makes graduating credential students highly sought after. April Sherfy, completed her undergraduate degree at UC Davis and is planning on being a high school science teacher. Ashley de Medio completed her BA in English at UC Riverside and plans to teach high school English. The third student, Rich Pauloo, will be on campus with the start of the fall quarter on September 24th. Rich will be a student in the biogeochemistry department working on a PhD in water resources management. Rich is a graduate of UC Berkeley and was working as a science educator for Nature Bridge before deciding to return to school. He is the recipient of an NSF grant that will fund his research in the coming years.



GOOD NEWS!

Over twenty students are currently working with the GPP Director on applications to be submitted in Fall 2015.

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Eden Haven-Martinez starts teaching at James Rutter Middle School in Stockton, CA.

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Michelle Dean receives funding from the Community Development program to pursue her thesis research on former foster youth in higher education.

Next Newsletter in December 2015

Ask Sally: Mentoring for Grad Students

Do you have a student that has questions about graduate school programs? Or a student already enrolled in a graduate program struggling with an educational or career issue? The Guardian Professions Program is now offering a new service called **Ask Sally**, which draws on the experiences and expertise of Dr. Sally Harvey, a former foster youth herself. Dr. Harvey has an undergraduate degree in psychology from Wayne State as well as an MSW. She also has an MA and PhD in psychology from the University of Michigan. Dr. Harvey worked at UC Davis for seventeen years where she founded and directed the Faculty and Staff Assistance Program. She has been retired since 2007, and has been mentoring GSP students for a couple of years. Her interest is now in working with graduate students. She will be writing short monthly articles for the GPP website on questions posed to her by students. To ask a question or initiate a conversation, students can email Sally directly at sharvey@ucdavis.edu.

End of Year Party at Chancellors Residence

On June 5 of this year the UCD GPP students joined with the undergraduates in the Guardian Scholars Program to celebrate the success of both programs and their graduates. A number of students spoke about how the programs had offered significant support and were crucial to their success. The GPP celebrated Hen Werner who completed her Masters degree in Education and continues to teach at Laguna Creek High School and Eden Haven-Martinez who finished her teaching credential and will continue on to complete her Masters in Spring of 2016.