September 30, 2013: Faculty News

This year's military and the media workshop, "Bridging the Gap: A Military Experience for Journalists," coordinated by Barbara Barnett and Tom Volek, included 14 journalists who interacted with officers at Fort Leavenworth and enlisted personnel at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. This workshop marks the sixth year that the J-School has helped facilitate communication between journalists and the military, with funding provided through a grant from the Robert R. McCormick Foundation.

Photos taken by Emily Alley, a KU grad student and workshop participant.

Upcoming Events

Oct. 3 - 5 - J-School Generations.

Oct. 21 - 27 - Free Speech Week.

Nov. 21 - Special lecture "The Kennedy Assassination: The Media and the Moment" 11 a.m., Clarkson Gallery.

Last week students at the Edwards Campus crashed some of the graduate school classes as part of "Crash a Class" week. Marilyn Rausch and Denise Linville hosted students in their Managing Visual Design and Marketing Fundamentals classes to give them a glimpse into what graduate school is really like.

Mugur Geana has been appointed Associate Professor with the Department of Family Medicine, KUMC. This appointment
strengthens the research and collaboration links between the journalism school and KUMC and will contribute to increased interdisciplinary research in health communications.

The Spencer Foundation awarded Peter Bobkowski a two-year grant to examine civic engagement among student journalists. The research will focus on high school journalism programs in the greater Kansas City area, on both sides of the state line.

Crystal Lumpkins' manuscript titled "Employing the Church as a Marketer of Cancer Prevention: A Look at a Health Promotion Project Aimed to Reduce Colorectal Cancer Among African Americans in the Midwest" is in the current issue of Family & Community Health. The issue is dedicated to faith-based initiatives to promote health in the U.S.

The journal Media Culture and Society published Peter Bobkowski's article, "Social media divide: Characteristics of emerging adults who do not use social network websites." The article is co-authored with Jessica Smith of Abilene Christian University.

In Other News:

Tara Bryant, Will Kenney, Chris Bacon, Lindsay Mayfield, Travis Diesing and Brett Akagi attended the 2013 Ignite your Passion workshop in Twin Cities. During their stay, the students toured KARE-TV, one of the top 10 NBC affiliates in the country, met with workshop speakers and broadcast professionals and students from 10 states. They were so inspired, they created a video on the way home. See it here: http://facebook.com/photo.php?v=10202083134065273&set=o.499910220035788&type=2&theater

J-School Generations, Oct. 3 - 5:
Don’t miss out on any of the events during J-School Generations, beginning Thursday of this week.

Student Opportunities:

Neutral Ground: "Resolved: The Death Penalty Shall Be Abolished" 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2 at the Dole Institute

The Dole Institute's popular issue debate program, Neutral Ground, returns. At a time when rational discourse is at an all-time low and bickering is obvious for all to see, the Dole Institute provides a forum for measured and civil debate. Join in the discussion as Pedro Irigonegary and Ed Duckers argue this important topic.

Summer 2014 News and Information Internships Available:

The Chicago Tribune. A recruiter from The Chicago Tribune will be on campus Monday, Oct. 21 interviewing students for internship positions. Students must submit a printed cover letter, resume and four to five samples of work to the Journalism Career Center (120 Stauffer-Flint) by Oct. 11. The recruiter will then select the candidates for interviews to be held on Monday, Oct. 21.

The Dallas Morning News. Joel Thornton, Copy Desk Chief at the Dallas Morning News, will be interviewing KU Journalism students on Tuesday, Oct. 22. To sign up for an interview, contact Patty Noland in the Journalism Career Center.

The Kansas City Star will offer reporting internships on the metro desk next summer. The paid positions are full-time for 10-weeks. To apply, email a cover letter, resume and five to 10 PDF clips to Craig Nienaber at http://cnienaber@kcstar.com before Oct. 15.

The Pulliam Fellowships. The Indianapolis Star and The Arizona Republic, Gannett Co. newspapers, are seeking college students and new graduates with a talent for reporting, news design and graphics, or photojournalism for 10-week paid fellowship. Reporters need to submit a resume and two reporting clips to Patty Noland by Oct. 18. Students interested in photo, design or copy editing can apply online.
IRTS Fellowship Program. This summer program teaches realities of the business world through an expense-paid fellowship, which includes practical experience and career-planning advice. For more information, contact: Lauren Kruk-Winokur, Director, Academic Programs & Communications, IRTS Foundation Inc., 1697 Broadway, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10019 (212) 867-6650
http://irtsfoundation.org/summerfellowshipprogram.html