NEWS

Professor Ramazan Kilinc was awarded a grant for his project "The Role of Religious Beliefs and Institutions in Generosity: Catholicism and Islam," with two professors from Arizona State University. The project examines charitable giving and voluntarism of the adherents of Catholicism and Islam in Turkey, France, Italy and Ireland and is funded with a budget of $363,666 by the Templeton Foundation, through the University of Notre Dame.

Seniors Laura Kovacek (SRP/PTCD) and Maria Bianchi (PTCD) won the inaugural Washington Media Scholars Case Competition that challenged undergraduates to create a media plan for a hypothetical public-policy campaign. They won a $2,500 scholarship each, as well as the National Excellence in Media Award. An additional $5,000 in scholarships will be donated to MSU, designated in their names to James Madison College.

JMC Homecoming Tailgate
More photos are available on Flickr

The Interdisciplinary Inquiry and Teaching (ITT) Fellowship Program is entering its third year, serving to broaden and enrich the professional development experience of a diverse group of graduate students at MSU by placing them in an environment (JMC) with an established tradition in excellence in undergraduate teaching. This year's core faculty members are Constance Hunt (SRP), Louise Jezierski (SRP), Linda Racioppi (CCP/IR), and Colleen Tremonte (CCP, program director).

Alumnus Nathan Triplett (PTCD/SR '06) was presented in September 2010 with the Hero of Humanity award by Greater Lansing's United Nations Association chapter in partnership with the Art of Living Foundation.

Allison (Harnisch) Leotta (IR '95), a federal sex-crimes prosecutor in Washington D.C., published her first novel. Law of Attraction is a romantic mystery about a fictional sex-crimes prosecutor in D.C.

Flint mayor and JMC alumnus Dayne Walling was the featured speaker at the JMC Founders Circle luncheon on October 22. He spoke on "Beyond the Rust and the Bust: Recycling Michigan's Cities for the 21st Century." The annual luncheon is named for the JMC Founders Circle donor group which recognizes donors of $1,000 or more annually to James Madison College.

EVENTS

Alumni Career Day
Saturday, January 29th 2011
If you are interested in serving on a panel (Law, Business, Federal Government, Local and State Government, Nonprofit, Public Affairs), please contact Jaimie Hutchison at dandersj@msu.edu
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Washington DC Alumni and Friends Reception
Spring 2011
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