

The Transformer:

Education through Transformation!

A Newsletter for Students by Students of The Graduate School of Education, University of Massachusetts, Lowell

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Special Issue: The Move to UML South

Message from the Dean

On May 12, 2003, the Graduate School of Education will move to the **fifth floor of O'Leary Library on UML South**. The stacks have been removed and the area has been completely renovated to meet our office needs, as well as a computer room and two seminar rooms. This is a temporary move necessitated by the deteriorating conditions of the buildings on UML West. We anticipate that our new permanent facilities in the renovated Lawrence Mill, adjacent to the Tsongas Arena, will be ready in two years.

Summer classes, starting May 19, and fall classes, starting September 2, will be held either in O'Leary or Coburn Hall. **Room assignments will be listed on our website**, <http://gse.uml.edu/gse/>

Parking, while not as convenient as UML West, should be adequate. Parking is available in the Riverview Lot on Broadway near the intersection with Middlesex Street. Students will need photo identification cards and parking stickers to use parking lots and other university facilities. This newsletter has information about obtaining these items.

We will miss our UML West community, especially being separated from the Demonstration School during this interim period. The university has made a considerable investment to provide the best possible temporary facilities for us. We will benefit from being connected more closely to the rest of the university, while we patiently await completion of the fabulous new facilities in the mill.

We plan to open (amidst unpacked boxes) for business in our new home on May 13. A reception is scheduled for Tuesday June 17, from 3 pm to 5 pm (with boxes hopefully unpacked by then). I look forward to seeing everyone on UML South.

GSOE Research Presentations and Awards Day, May 3, 2003

Reminder: The Graduate School of Education is celebrating the work of its students by hosting a morning of research presentations and roundtable discussions. Following this will be an awards ceremony and a luncheon. The day will also mark our farewell to UML West, as we move to UML South on May 12th. The day begins at 9:30a.m. and ends with a noon luncheon. If you reserved a space, we look forward to seeing you there!

The Move to UML South

Where are we going?

Maps of UML South are located on the UML web page at <http://www.uml.edu/maps/south.htm>. You will be most interested in the buildings we will be using: **O'Leary Library** (GSOE will be located on the 5th floor), **Coburn Hall** (some of our classes will be held here), and Southside Café/Dining Hall (bookstore and vending machines). If you need driving directions, go to <http://www.uml.edu/maps/directions.htm>.

Where do I park?

Parking for the Graduate School of Education on UML South will be a bit more precarious than on UML West. All members of the UMASS Lowell Community must register any vehicle they operate on campus with the UML police department. Parking decals can be obtained from the University Police Office in Engineering 118 on North Campus between the hours of 9am and 4:30pm Monday through Friday. A **driver's license, student ID and car registration** is required to obtain a Parking Decal. A map of

Engineering building and North Campus can be found on the UML webpage at <http://www.uml.edu/maps/engineering.htm>

University Police suggest that we park in the Riverview Lot on UML South. A University Parking decal is required. The Riverview lot is located on Broadway near the intersection with Middlesex Street.

For a list of all lots on UML South, and to make sure you park legally, refer to the General Guide for parking at <http://www.uml.edu/police/parking.html> for complete regulations and procedures.

How do I get a student ID?

Student ID cards are required to use many of the UML facilities including the library, the recreation center, and for some parking purposes. Picture ID Cards will not be issued during the summer. However, if you want to get one while the spring semester is still in session, go to Cumnock Hall on UML North during the week of May 5th through May 9th with a copy of your schedule and a second form of picture ID during the following days and times: Monday 12:00-1:00, Tuesday, 2:30pm to 3:30pm, Wednesday, 12:00-3:00pm, Thursday 12:00-3:30pm or Friday 11:00am-3:30pm. After May 9th, picture ID cards will not be issued until the Fall Semester. Fall semester ID schedule will be posted in mid-August on the Student Affairs Web page at <http://www.uml.edu/student-services/dean/ID.html>. In addition to the hours posted on the web page, extended hours are traditionally offered for graduate students during the second week of Fall classes. If you have questions after seeing the Fall 2003 web page, you can contact the Office of Student Services at (978) 934-2100.

Where is my student mailbox?

When we get to O'Leary, don't forget to check your student mailboxes for announcements and important updates! You'll be surprised at what you might find there!

How do I get to the Bookstore?

The UML South Bookstore is now very close to where our classes will be held. Although the UML South bookstore is not specifically mentioned on the web page (<http://umllowell.bkstore.com/>), it is located in the "Southside Café Dining Hall" and you can contact them at (978) 934-6908. They will have extended hours during the beginning of summer semester. Call for times and/or to make sure the books for your course (have your course number available) have arrived.

Need more information?

- The Graduate School of Education's primary office number will remain (978) 934-4600.
- Our main web page is located at <http://gse.uml.edu/gse/>.

**Summer and Fall 2003 GSOE
Course Schedules are now
online**

<http://gse.uml.edu/gse/courses.htm>

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