Message from Janet L. Gooch, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Dean, School of Health Sciences & Education

As we move into October and the second half of the semester, I encourage everyone to focus on Truman’s new vision and ideas for innovative curricular changes that will help us achieve this new vision. President Paine has committed one-time funds to invest in projects that explore specific curricular initiatives and changes, thereby illustrating benefits and pathways associated with achieving Truman’s new Vision Statement which can be found at the following website [http://president.truman.edu/images/VisionStatement-LR.pdf](http://president.truman.edu/images/VisionStatement-LR.pdf).

As Dean of SHSE, I am responsible for leading and coordinating the investments in our school consistent with the following expectations:

- Initiatives are expected to help identify the direction for future permanent investments associated with the Vision Statement and Strategies for Achieving the Vision.
- Initiative projects should demonstrate high potential for future cost effectiveness.
- Initiatives should, to the greatest extent possible, be visible across the University and where possible be scalable to multiple academic programs.
- Initiatives should, to the greatest extent possible, integrate the residential and co-curricular experience into our students’ intellectual and social development.

Funding Guidelines:

- Funds may be used for items such as training, equipment, travel, and student workers.
- Funds may not be used for stipends or reassigned time.
- Funds may be allocated across fiscal years.
- The initiatives must be coordinated amongst the five Academic Deans to ensure that the breadth of funded initiatives covers the full spectrum of strategies outlined within the Vision Statement.

As I have explained to the Chairs, and to many of you personally, I would like each department to propose at least one project that will be considered for funding. A concept paper, describing the project’s purpose and the problem(s) to be addressed, the goals and objectives of the project, who will benefit and a timeline will be required for proposals to be considered. Concept papers should be submitted first to the Chair, reviewed by the Chair and discussed at the departmental level, and then forwarded to the Dean. I am more than happy to meet with faculty, alone or in groups, to brainstorm and discuss possible ideas. This is an exciting time to be creative, research and implement new ideas. I am certain that our school will develop a number of excellent projects that will be of benefit to the department, school and university at large.

Thank you.
Communication Disorders

The Speech and Hearing Clinic opened Monday, September 10, with over 100 clients being served during the Fall 2012 Semester. Thirty-two graduate students and 12 senior-level students are providing services in the Clinic. Ms. Susan Drew and Ms. Kelli Maeder serve as temporary part-time speech and hearing clinic supervisors.

Thirteen CMDS graduate students are on public school and/or hospital internships.

CMDS Association NSSLHA Chapter (CoDA) received silver recognition for the 2011-2012 academic year. To be awarded silver recognition, the chapter donated $250.00 to NSSLHA Loves, whose focus was the National Center for Family Literacy. Additionally, the chapter invited Zach Wyatt, Missouri’s Second District State Representative, to speak at a meeting. CoDA also wrote advocacy letters to Governor Jay Nixon. CoDA participated in Communication Science Disorders Career Awareness month by talking to prospective high school students about the Communication Disorders field. Throughout the year, CoDA submitted several articles to the regional newsletter. Several members’ names were submitted for being an Outstanding Member and an integral part of CoDA. CoDA remains in good standing with the national association.

Mr. Tobey Hanen from the Hanen Centre, Toronto, Canada, presented to a group of undergraduate and graduate students in CMDS on Wednesday, September 12. Students came away from the presentation with a very positive impact along with ideas/concepts they can incorporate in therapy sessions with their child clients.

CMDS graduate student clinicians will conduct speech/language and hearing screenings at the Kirksville Primary School, Kirksville Child Development Center, and the Novinger, Schuyler R-1, and Green City Public School systems during the months of September and October.

Ms. Sheila Garlock attended the 2012 Rite Care Conference, “The Art and Science of Speech, Language and Literacy” hosted by the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas, Texas, Thursday-Friday, September 13-15.

The Speech and Hearing Clinic will conduct speech-language-hearing screenings to Head Start programs throughout Northeast Missouri on Thursday and Friday, October 4 and 5.

Open House for Prospective Graduate Students in CMDS will be Saturday, November 10.

Education

Laura E. Nickelson received the DHEd degree from A.T. Still University on Saturday, September 8. She is pictured on the left during commencement hooding ceremonies.

Congratulations, Dr. Nickelson!
Dr. Chris Maglio was recently notified by the American Psychiatric Association that he will be listed as a Collaborating Investigator in the upcoming Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders-5 (DSM-5) and on the DSM-5 website in acknowledgement of his contribution during field trials of the DSM-5 development process. The DSM, used in the United States and in varying degrees around the world, by clinicians, researchers, psychiatric drug regulation agencies, health insurance companies, pharmaceutical companies and policy makers, provides a common language and standard criteria for the classification of mental disorders.

Congratulations to the following students who were admitted to the Master of Arts in Education program during the 2012 Spring Semester: Elementary Education - Lena Benoit, Ashley Evers, Stephanie Shaefer, Amanda Schwent, and Kelly Walsh; English - Barrett Burford, Brandon Carter, Danielle Dell’Orco, Emily Gannon, Sarah Garcia, Jonah Krueger, Christian Lowry, Daniel Tebeau, Kathryn Toolney, and Brandon Whitmore; Exercise Science - Jacob Bruning, Nicholas Clements, Carmen Holahan, Mary Sander, Scott Stevens, and Joseph Weis; Mathematics - Adam Roling and Kyle Wiechens; Music - Alyssa Blackford, Alex Buffa, Stephen Elford, Nick Spector, Steven Irving, Emily Lewis, and Nicholas Welker; Science - Brian O’Shaughnessy; Social Science - Mathew Kupiszewski, Johanna Ross, Michael Sowatzke, and Elizabeth Winter; Spanish - Amy Vicars; Special Education - Shaunna Bentrop, Dolores Bredenköetter, Caitlin Combs, Amanda Daniels, Paige Fowler, Cassandra Hunt, Jennifer Kubik, Sarah Stokes, Leigh Swartz, and Clare Temperelli; Visual Arts - Lisa Holmes, Brittni Jakuboski, Hannah Rosell, and Rachel Vaugh.

**Health and Exercise Sciences**

The HES Fall 2012 freshman class is pictured above in front of Kirk Memorial on Majors Day, Tuesday, August 21.
Truman Nursing Department Awarded $150,000.00 Grant from Caring for Missourians

A $150,000.00 grant to the Department of Nursing was announced by Gov. Jay Nixon on the Truman campus Thursday, September 20. The grant, funded by the Caring for Missourians initiative, will provide Truman with the resources necessary to graduate at least 10-15 additional nursing students by launching three foundational courses online to assist Truman and other students in transferring to an accelerated BSN program, expand clinical sites and partnerships, and add adjunct clinical and instructional faculty members. After completing pre-requisite courses, the A-BSN can be completed in 15 months of class and clinical experiences. The grant was one of more than $1 million given by the state of Missouri this year. Grants were awarded by the Missouri State Board of Nursing on a competitive basis to seven of Missouri’s public and private universities, with only Truman and the University of Missouri - Columbia receiving the maximum amount. Grant authors included Dr. Carol Cox, Dr. Janet L. Gooch, and Dr. Stephanie Powelson. Representatives from MSBN will visit the Department during Spring 2013.

Gov. Jay Nixon is pictured above with Ms. Pam Melvin and Truman students in the nursing simulation center.

The Department of Nursing is seeking continued accreditation for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). A team of evaluators will meet with students, faculty, administrators, alumni, and others at Truman on Monday-Wednesday, October 15-17.

The Department of Nursing congratulates Dr. Teak Nelson for receiving the 2012 William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award. This award honors outstanding academic advisors by recognizing their dedication and exemplary advising skill, paying tribute to past achievements and potential for future growth.
Calendar of Selected Upcoming Events

October 1, Monday – Spring 2013 Foundation Scholarship Applications Available
October 3, Wednesday – Faculty Forum with Chad Mohler, 8:00 p.m., Georgian Room B
October 5, Friday – Green City and Milan Middle School Visit Day, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
October 5, Friday – Truman National Spirit Day – Show your support by wearing purple!
October 6, Saturday – Sixth Faculty Research Conference, SUB Conference 3000
   10:30 a.m. – Roberta Donahue, “Assessing the Alcohol Education Needs of College-Bound Adolescents”
October 10, Wednesday – First Block Classes End
October 11 & 12, Thursday & Friday – Mid-Term Break
October 15, Monday – Second Block Classes Begin
October 15-17, Monday-Wednesday – Nursing Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) On-Site Accreditation Visit
October 19, Friday – Board of Governors Meeting, 1:00 p.m.
October 20, Saturday – Homecoming
October 22, Monday – Spring 2013 Registration Begins
October 24, Wednesday – Career Expo
April 26 (Friday): Fifth Annual Language and Literature Conference featuring Dr. Susan M. Ebbers,
   9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., SUB Georgian Room

For a complete list of events on campus check out the Master Calendar, available on the Truman home page or by clicking calendar.truman.edu. For information about off-campus events, click on the Kirksville tab in TruView or the Kirksville Events tab located on the top of the Master Calendar.