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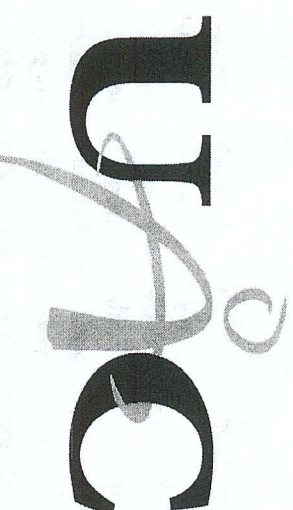
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PEN AND SWORD: ADVISORS AS CHANGE AGENTS

DR. JOHN DONOHUE

Dr. John Donohue is the Acting President of Medaille College. Prior to this appointment, he was the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Academic Dean at Medaille. A specialist in the development of retention programs and curricula for non-traditional and under-prepared students, he has worked as both a teacher and administrator at a variety of institutions. In the last five years, Dr. Donohue has successfully launched a comprehensive academic support services program, including: a new professional academic advisement center, 13 new undergraduate degree programs, and 2 graduate programs.

Dr. Donohue is the author of four books and numerous articles. Dr. Donohue received his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D in Anthropology from the State University of New York at Stony Brook.



DR. ANTONETTE CLEVELAND

Dr. Antonette Cleveland is the President of Niagara County Community College (NCCC). Dr. Cleveland has over twenty years of administrative experience in higher education. Prior to joining NCCC, she was the Dean of Academic Affairs at Herkimer College. Dr. Cleveland has also served in administrative positions at Rockland Community College, and the State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville.

Dr. Cleveland has written several articles, and delivered numerous presentations throughout New York State. Dr. Cleveland holds a Bachelor's degree in Health and Physical Education and Master's degree in Health Education from the State University of New York at Cortland, and received her Ph.D in Educational Administration from Syracuse University.

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REGISTRATION/BREAKFAST 8:30 - 9:15

WELCOME 9:15 - 9:30

Ms. Janina Kaars, Director of Advisement
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York (UB)

ADVISING FOR STUDENT SUCCESS 9:30 - 11:30

Dr. John Donohue, Acting President
Medaille College

Dr. Antonette Cleveland, President
Niagara County Community College (NCCC)

LUNCH 11:30 - 1:00

FACULTY VIEWS ON ADVISING STUDENTS 1:00 - 2:15

Dr. Henry J. Durand, Instructor, American Pluralism
Director, Educational Opportunity Program
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York (UB)

Dr. Roswell Park, Instructor, Interdisciplinary Humanities
Interim Director, Academic Support Programs
Buffalo State

Mr. Al Saladino, Instructor, Human Services
Niagara County Community College (NCCC)

BREAK 2:15 - 2:25

SOCIAL ISSUES AND STUDENT SUCCESS 2:25 - 3:45

Dr. Kathleen Scott, Counseling Center Director
Topic: Mental Health Factors and Academic Performance
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York (UB)

Ms. Sandra Weachebece, Interim Program Director Adult & Evening Programs
Topic: Designing Services for Adult Students
Buffalo State

Ms. Gail Wells, Director, Minority Student Services
Topic: Mentoring as a Retention Technique
Buffalo State

WRAP UP/EVALUATIONS 3:45 - 4:00

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CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

❖ ❖ ❖ WELCOME ❖ ❖ ❖

Ms. Janina Kaars is the Director of Advisement at the University at Buffalo. She has had a career which includes being a high school science teacher, a research scientist in the Biological Sciences, an instructor in Biochemistry, and an administrator as the Assistant Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education. She has authored publications related to biological science research and the applications of microcomputer software in teaching science. Her present interests are in developing proactive systems to identify and intervene with at-risk students. She received her BS in Biology from the State University of New York at Stony Brook and her Ed.M. from the University at Buffalo.

❖ ❖ ❖ FACULTY PANEL ❖ ❖ ❖

Dr. Henry J. Durand is the Executive Director of the Center for Academic Development Services (CADS) and EOP, of the University at Buffalo. He is the President of the Council of EOP Directors, a co-founder of Opportunity Programs United, a coalition of the New York State Opportunity Programs, SEEK/CD, HEOP and EOP, and a member of the Advisory Committee on Equity and Diversity to the NYS Department of Education. Professor Durand is a member of the Graduate Faculty of the University at Buffalo and a UB Senator on the SUNY wide Faculty Senate. His course offerings include the quantitative research core courses Introductory and Intermediate Statistics, Survey and Quantitative Research Methods and SPSS. Dr. Durand also teaches American Pluralism, Education and Social Class, African American Students in Higher Education, and Race and Ethnic Relations. He holds a B.A. from Denison University, M.Ed. from Xavier University of Cincinnati and Doctorate from the University of Cincinnati.

Dr. Roswell Park is the Interim Director of Academic Support Programs at Buffalo State, Coordinator of the College's Individualized Studies Degree, and an Instructor in the Interdisciplinary Humanities Program. Previously, he was Program Director of the College's Adult & Evening Student Programs. In his current position, Dr. Park is responsible for overseeing the Academic Skills Center (tutorial services), Services for Students with Disabilities, Academic Intervention and Management (academically probationary students), Developmental Courses and Freshman Seminars, and the Collegiate Science and Entry Technology Program. His academic training is in English medieval literature (B.A. Kenyon College, M.A., Ph.D. University at Buffalo).

Mr. Albert P. Saladino, MSW/CSW is an Associate Professor of Human Services at Niagara County Community College where he coordinates the departments of Chemical Dependency Counseling and Disabilities Studies. Mr. Saladino received the President's Award for Excellence in Advisement in 1992. He is currently serving as President of the Niagara County Community College Faculty Senate. Mr. Saladino also serves as a consultant Social Worker to the United Cerebral Palsy of Western New York and the Native American Community Services Center of Western New York. Mr. Saladino received his B.S. in Sociology from Buffalo State and his MSW from the University at Buffalo.

❖ ❖ ❖ SOCIAL ISSUES PANEL ❖ ❖ ❖

Dr. Kathleen Scott is a psychologist and director of the Counseling Center at the University at Buffalo. Prior to joining UB, Dr. Scott worked for 14 years as a psychologist and Director of Training at the University Counseling Services at Virginia Commonwealth University. Dr. Scott obtained her Doctoral Degree in counseling psychology at the University of Utah in 1985.

Ms. Sandra Weatherbee is the Interim Program Director of Buffalo State's Adult & Evening Programs. Prior to this position, Ms. Weatherbee was an Academic Advisor in the office of New Student Programs and Academic Advisement. As an Advisor, Ms. Weatherbee developed an Advisement Handbook that was distributed campus-wide at Buffalo State. She has presented at national and regional National Academic Advising Association's (NACADA) conferences. She also wrote a book review that was published in NACADA's Journal and contributed to a published text that was used in a "Learning in College" course. Ms. Weatherbee earned both her BSW and Master's Degree in Student Personnel Administration from Buffalo State.

Ms. Gail Wells is the Director of the Office of Minority Student Services at Buffalo State. Ms. Wells is a member of the college's Mentoring Institute that designed a college skills coaching program for freshmen. Last year, Ms. Wells presented "Nurturing Initiative & Achievement (NIA) Mentor Program: Finally, an effective, low budget mentoring program - that really works." at the 13th National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in Santa Fe, New Mexico. In 1996, Buffalo State received national recognition for its NIA Mentor Program from the Noel & Levitz USA Group at their annual Retention Conference in Orlando, Florida. Ms. Wells is interested in telementoring and is developing an on-line tutorial service to improve student academic performance. Ms. Wells earned a Bachelor of Science degree from UB and she is currently completing her Master Thesis on the Use of Performance Indicators in Shaping the Rebirth of Buffalo for an MS degree in Urban Studies.