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¹ Due to holidays, the dates for submission and publication have been moved up or back a day.

THESES, DISSERTATIONS, AND RESEARCH PROJECTS

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES: Psychology

Lindsey Hawkins will be defending her dissertation entitled *The Impact of Personality and Affect on College Student's Motives for Marijuana Use*, on Thursday, August 17, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. in Root Hall, room B-141. Members of her committee are: Dr. Tom Johnson, chairperson, and Drs. Liz O'Laughlin and Virgil Sheets.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION: Educational Leadership, Administration, and Foundations

Neal Brown III will defend his dissertation entitled *Investigation of Instructional Reading Strategies, Professional Development and Training, and Reading Assessments Used at the Secondary Level to Improve Student Reading Skills*, on Wednesday, August 23, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., in College of Education, room 1203. Members of his committee members are: Dr. Robert Boyd, chairperson, Drs. Kandace Hinton, and Sue Kiger.

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Eugenia Shapinsky will defend her dissertation entitled *Programmatic Factors that Affect Practical Nursing Student Pass Rates on the National Council Licensure Examination*, on Thursday, August 17, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. in College of Education, room 1214. Members of her committee are: Dr. Josh Powers, chairperson, Drs. Greg Ulm and Ann Tomey.

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UNDERGRADUATE PROPOSALS

NEW COURSES

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES: Liberal Studies

LBST 101 **Learning in the Liberal Arts and Sciences—2 hours.** A first-year academic seminar course designed to aid students as they make the transition into programs in the College of Arts and Sciences. This course is linked through a Learning Community with another major and/or liberal studies course offered with the College. Emphasizes critical thinking skills as they apply to student's academic and personal choices. Corequisite: designated learning community course.

NEW COURSE PREFIX

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES: Liberal Studies

Executive Summary:

Create new course prefix for Liberal Studies, LBST.

Rationale:

The creation of Liberal Studies prefix will allow the College of Arts and Sciences to develop interdisciplinary courses that are not identified easily in mainstream disciplinary course codes. Like the Liberal Studies program itself, the prefix will create room for incubator courses that promote interdisciplinary teaching and learning in the liberal arts and sciences.