Welcome

It is hard to believe that the on-campus orientation is just around the corner. We are busy making the last minute preparations for your visit to Omaha. Please read this entire newsletter for very important information.

Final admissions into the cohort that starts in August have just been completed. Due to the great interest in the program, we admitted two cohorts for the August start. Since we are growing at a faster pace than expected, we have renamed the cohorts. We will continue this from this point forward:

- Winter Cohort (January start)
- Spring Cohort (May start)
- Summer Cohort (August 1st cohort)
- Fall cohort (August 2nd cohort)

When all four cohorts are on campus August 15 and 16, there will be around 65-70 students. We are excited to meet everyone for the first time. As a student, it will be nice to meet everyone in your cohort face to face and also start networking with other students outside of your cohort. We have many activities planned that will help build and strengthen the learning communities.

Anxiously awaiting!
Chris Karasek, MS &
Isabelle Cherney, Ph.D.

On-Campus Visit

If you have not made your hotel reservations, we would recommend doing that as soon as possible. The rooms that we have blocked at the Element Hotel are only blocked until August 1. After August 1 the price will be at a higher rate.

Please send in the “Information Sheets” as soon as possible. If you have turned them in, we thank you.

For the students who have been accepted recently, as well as those in the Spring and Summer cohorts, please email your top 5 strengths from your StrengthsQuest assignment. It is important that we receive these by early next week.

Please proceed to page 2 and 3 for more information regarding your on-campus visit.

Special points of interest:

- AUGUST 15-18—ON-CAMPUS ORIENTATION
- AUGUST 29—ILD 801 BEGINS (SPRING, SUMMER, FALL COHORTS)
- AUGUST 29—ILD 805 BEGINS (JANUARY COHORT)

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Hotel Shuttle Service

Most hotels in the Omaha area offer shuttle service to and from the airport. The shuttle may also bring you to the campus everyday. You should enquire with your hotel to arrange this service if it is available.

For those students who are staying at the Element, shuttle service is available to and from the airport and to campus. If you are requiring the Element’s shuttle service to and from the airport, please contact them as soon as possible. To arrange for this service call 402-614-8080 and talk with the front desk.

For those students staying at the Element we have already arranged a schedule for the shuttle to bring you to and from campus. On Monday, August 15 the shuttle will leave the Element hotel at 8:15 am. All other mornings, the shuttle will leave at 8:45 am.

Student Interviews

We invite all students to give testimonials on Monday, August 15 during lunch. We will have a room set aside for students to be taped answering three questions:

- Why Creighton?
- Why this program?
- How has/will this program contribute(d) to your personal and professional lives?

The best way to market our program is through our students. Just remember back when you started this program. We are sure many of you were wondering if this was the best fit for you. We are betting that many of you thought to yourself, that you would love to find out what current student’s think. Since this program just started in January of 2011 that has not been possible. But with your help, students following your footsteps will be able to have this opportunity. Together, we can help prospective students determine the correct path for them.

Attire

We recommend that while you are on campus for course work dress in business casual. The first day, you will be meeting the President of Creighton University, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the Dean of the Graduate School. As well as finally meeting both Dr. Cherney and myself! You will also get to meet many of the faculty who are teaching your courses.

For times where you are involved in extra-curricular activities, dress in comfortable clothing. It is important to wear comfortable shoes at all times.

We strongly suggest checking the weather for the Omaha area before you pack. Also, pack a few items that would be appropriate for the opposite weather that they are predicting. Omaha is known for extreme weather changes. We have a saying, “if you do not like the weather, just wait five minutes.”
Packing list

We wanted to remind you of the suggested items to bring to campus.

- Creighton student I.D. card (white card sent with your admission letter)
- Money for activities (see "Information Sheet")
- Money to buy Creighton Attire from our bookstore or other souvenirs
- Laptop computer (most hotels and CU campus are wireless)
- Sunscreen
- Bug spray
- Umbrella
- Light jacket
- Clothes (business casual and other comfortable clothing)
- Camera/video recorder
- Good walking shoes
- VISA/Passport
- Identification
- Airline tickets
- Insurance card (in case of an emergency)
- Phone
- Pen/Pencil

Highlight of Schedule

We are not able to fit the entire schedule in the newsletter, but we wanted to highlight the main areas. There will be opportunities for campus tours. For the entire schedule, please visit our website at http://www.creighton.edu/gradschool/edd/home/index.php

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Leaders for Social Justice and Transformational Change

INTERDISCIPLINARY ED.D. PROGRAM IN LEADERSHIP

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The mission of the Ed.D. program in Leadership is centered on developing leaders who use their skills to promote social justice, and societal and organizational change. Drawing on the Jesuit tradition of Creighton University, the program will be built on a leadership model that encourages continual, critical self-reflection. With increasing self-knowledge, leaders are empowered to work mindfully toward a more just community, workplace, and world. The concept of leaders as stewards of an organization will be emphasized during each course and promoted through practicum and research activities. Program faculty and students come from a variety of disciplines and professions and as such provide a rich interdisciplinary learning community for understanding the nature and role of interdisciplinary work in today’s world. The collaborative learning community will be shaped by the Jesuit ideals of academic excellence, respect for human dignity, and a faith that does justice. The vision for the program graduates is they possess skills to lead and will have internalized faith-based values that will guide their efforts at personal and organizational change.

Life at Creighton

In the next newsletter, there will be pictures of you from the on-campus orientation. SMILE!! ☺