Welcome

This is the first of many newsletters to come. We feel it is very important to keep in touch with everyone. We would appreciate any feedback. We want this newsletter to be meaningful and informative. Please let us know the type of information that would be helpful to you as an on-line student of Creighton University.

We would also like to highlight you. Please let us know if you would like to be highlighted by sending your story and a picture to ckarasek@creighton.edu.

The title of the newsletter is not set in stone. If anyone would like to suggest a different title you may email them to ckarasek@creighton.edu by February 4. Everyone can cast their ballot for the title of our newsletter.

Please read page 2 regarding an invitation to our “Open House”. It would be wonderful to see everyone.

On page 4 we left you with an image of winter on campus. This picture might be interesting for those who live somewhere warm.

Wishing everyone the best and don't forget we are here for you.

Chris Karasek & Isabelle Cherney, Ph.D.

Leadership Seminar in August

We are excited about everyone coming to Creighton this August. We are busy planning your arrival. If you require special needs while you are here at Creighton, please let us know by emailing Chris Karasek, ckarasek@creighton.edu.

On the first day of the seminar, Creighton University’s 24th President, Rev. Timothy R. Lannon, S.J., will address the group. Fr. Lannon is joining Creighton in August. Fr. Lannon currently is the President of Saint Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, PA.

More information regarding the Leadership Seminar will be detailed later. Be sure to “Save-the-Dates” for August 15 and 16.
Open House

The Interdisciplinary Ed.D. Program in Leadership is holding an “Open House” February 16, 2011 from 3:00—5:00 P.M.. The “Open House” will be located on the Creighton University campus in Brandeis, room 101. Everyone is invited. Please R.S.V.P. by February 10 to ckarasek@creighton.edu.

If anyone will be traveling form out of town, please give Chris Karasek a call at (402) 280-2306 for help with making your travel arrangements. The “Open House” will be an opportunity for you to see our wonderful office space and meet the Creighton community. This might also provide an opportunity to meet your on-line classmates!

Library News— Distance Learning Book Request

Hopefully by now you have used the library resource through your BlueLine account. An additional service that is available to distant learners is the ability to check-out books. There are no shipping costs to the student. When the books are shipped to you a return shipping label will be included.

1. Visit the website at http://reinert.creighton.edu/services/distance.htm
2. Fill out the on-line “Distance Learning Book Request” form and click submit.
3. Books will be delivered in approximately 1 week.

ILD 808A Course Evaluation

You have completed your Orientation and now you have started your first course. There is one unfinished item from your orientation. We would like everyone to take a few minutes to fill out the “Course Evaluation Survey” for ILD 808A. Everyone was sent a link to the survey through your Creighton email account. If you have not checked your Creighton email account, this is a good time to do that. Your Creighton email account is the official means of communication.

This course evaluation is very important to the program. Your comments and feedback are vital, even more than ever, since you were the first cohort to complete the orientation.

We appreciate everyone’s input.

Check your Creighton email account!
2011—2012 Schedule

**Fall 2011**
- Aug. 29—October 23
  - ILD 805 Administration and Policy
- Oct. 24—Dec. 18
  - ILD 806 Change Theory

**Spring 2012**
- Jan. 16—Mar. 9
  - ILD 807 Financial & Legal Issues
- Mar. 12—May 4
  - ILD 811 Practicum

**Summer 2012**
- May 7—Jun. 29
  - ILD 852 Mixed Methods
  - ILD 821 Quality and Accountability
  - ILD 820 Jesuit and Ignatian Traditions

**Fall 2012**
- Aug. 27—Oct. 21
  - ILD 809 Dissertation Design
  - ILD 851 Qualitative Research
- Oct. 22—Dec. 16
  - ILD 823 Global Society
  - ILD 899 Dissertation

Faculty Advisors

Please remember to keep in close contact with your faculty advisor. Faculty advisors are a good resource and can be very helpful with your IPDP, Practicum and Dissertation questions.

If you are having trouble reaching your faculty advisor please call the Interdisciplinary Ed.D. Program in Leadership Office at (402)-280-2306. If it is more convenient to email, please feel free to email Dr. Isabelle Cherney at cherneyi@creighton.edu or Chris Karasek at ckarasek@creighton.edu.

Graduate Student Government and Student News

As a member of the Graduate Creighton Community you have the option of getting involved. Even if you do not reside near campus you can still be involved.

Please check out the Graduate Student Government website at http://www.creighton.edu/gradschool/currentstudentinfo/gsg/.

Creighton University also sends out “Student News” through email two or three times a month. If you would like to subscribe to “Student News”, please go to:

http://lists.creighton.edu/mailman/listinfo/student_news
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.

Winter at Creighton

Leaving you with a glimpse of winter at Creighton University.