Defense Announcements

Defense Announcements for the Week Of:

March 16, 2009 - March 22, 2009

Monday, March 16, 2009


1:00 p.m. Aysegul Bayraktar, School of Teacher Education, Dissertation Defense - "An Exploration of the Teacher-Student Writing Conference, It’s Impact on Fifth-Grade Students’ Writing Performance and Confidence and the Potential Influence of Self-Efficacy." Major Professor, Carolyn L. Piazza. Defense to be held in STB, room G108.

2:30 p.m. Emily A. Fogarty, Geography, Dissertation Defense - "Network Analysis of Hurricanes Affecting the United States." Major Professor, James B. Elsner. Defense to be held in BEL, room 317.

5:00 p.m. Elizabeth Clendinning, Music, Thesis Defense - "Narratives of Sesame Street: Music, Memory, and Meaning." Major Professor, Michael B. Bakan. Defense to be held in KMU, room 213.

Tuesday, March 17, 2009


2:00 p.m. Kathleen Biddick Smith, Music, Dissertation Defense - "Musical Process in Selected Works by Michael Torke." Major Professor, Michael Buchler. Defense to be held in KMU Lounge.

2:00 p.m. Nolan H. Katz, Education Psychology and Learning Systems, Dissertation Defense - "Adult Self-Rating of the DSM-IV-TR Symptoms of Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder an Item Response Theory Perspective." Major Professor, Briley Proctor. Defense to be held in STB, room 2206A.

Wednesday, March 18, 2009

8:30 a.m. Rebecca L. Gubitti, School of Teacher Education, Dissertation Defense - "A Phenomenological Study Linking a College Success Course with a College Preparatory Mathematics Course." Major Professor, Elizabeth Jakubowski. Defense to be held in STB, room 206.


10:00 a.m. Sarah A. White, Psychology, Dissertation Defense - "Gender-Differentiated Manifestations of Impulsivity: Antisocial & Borderline Personality Features." Major Professor, Joyce Carbonell. Defense to be held in PDB, room A206.

12:00 p.m. Emily Kathryn Baker, English, Creative Thesis Defense - "Retroflection: A Portfolio in Reflection." Major Professor, Michael Neal. Defense to be held in WMS, room 2208.


Thursday, March 19, 2009

2:00 p.m. Esther H. Berumen, History, Thesis Defense - "Competing Memories: Tallahassee’s Civil War Commemorations, Exhibits, and Celebrations." Major Professor, Jennifer Koslow. Defense to be held in BEL, room 401B.

1:00 p.m. Andrea-LaToya Davis, Art Education, Dissertation Defense - "Building Community: African Dancing and Drumming in the Little Village of Tallahassee, Florida." Major Professor, Patricia Villenenuve. Defense to be held in KRB, room 329.

1:00 p.m. Barbara Corley Robinson, Interdisciplinary Humanities, Dissertation Defense - "Games of Idealized Courtship and Seduction in the Paintings of Antoine Watteau and Jean-Honore Fragonard and in Laclos’ Novel Dangerous Liaisons." Major Professor, William Cloonan. Defense to be held in DIF, room 0362.


3:00 p.m. Todd J. Rosendahl, Music, Thesis Defense - "Working it Out on the Dance Floor: The role of Music and Dance Clubs in an Emerging Pansexual Culture." Major Professor, Michael B. Bakan. Defense to be held in KMU, room 213.

3:30 p.m. Ian M. Borden, Theatre, Dissertation Defense - "Witty Combat and Spanish Wives: The Intrigue Plays of the Restoration and Early Eighteenth-Century English Stage." Major Professor, Mary Karen Dahl. Defense to be held in FAB, Faculty Lounge (no room number).

Friday, March 20, 2009

11:30 a.m. Stephanie Sickler, Interior Design, Thesis Defense - "A Study of Millennial Student Learning Preferences." Major Professor, Jill Pable. Defense to be held in Eppes Hall, room 326.