



# Academic Affairs Newsletter

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## **New Faculty**

Lori Kelly is a fifth grade teacher at Kilby Laboratory School at UNA. She is from Ruston, Louisiana, where she received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Louisiana Tech University. She taught eighth grade math and pre-algebra in Louisiana for three years and then moved to Virginia where she taught seventh grade math for two years in Norfolk. After another move back to Louisiana, Lori began teaching fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grade math, pre-algebra, history, computer literacy and film classes while at A. E. Phillips Laboratory School which is located on the campus of Louisiana Tech University. Lori is married to Craig Kelly and has two beautiful children, Maddi (7) and Cade (4). Lori's hobbies are reading and watching LSU football games.

## **Thank You!**

- Thanks to the departments and offices that participated in First Friday. UNA was well represented. Hopefully this effort can grow. It is a great way to build the town-gown relationship.
- Thanks to all departments and offices for participation in Preview Day on Saturday. What a great turnout! Special thanks to the Admissions Office for coordinating the effort.
- Thanks to the Department of History and Political Science for hosting a graduate student research symposium Saturday. The students were enthusiastic presenters of their research projects. Efforts to increase student research efforts and their dissemination will be an important part of our QEP.
- Congratulations to the women's soccer team for winning the GSC title!
- Thanks to the College of Education for hosting senior officials from the Alabama State Department of Education and showcasing the quality of our programs.
- Thanks to Wayne Bergeron for organizing the Roll Call ceremony at the UNA Amphitheater on Friday.

## **QEP Meetings**

Be reminded that information sessions on the QEP are scheduled for the week of November 14. The session for all employees will be at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16 in the GUC Performance Center. Refreshments will be served. There will also be two student sessions – 12 noon on November 16 and 2 p.m. on November 17 in the GUC Performance Center. Faculty members are asked to encourage students to attend one of the sessions, perhaps offering some kind of incentive.

## **Online Education**

SACS considers an increase on online coursework in a program a substantive change and that requires

notification. When a program reaches the 25% level SACS must be notified. Any program reaching 50% must be approved in advance by SACS. Program coordinators are asked to monitor the number of online courses and inform chairs and deans. Do not wait until these thresholds have been reached but anticipate so advance notice can be provided to SACS.

### **International Education Week**

International Education Week will be held November 13-18. Please refer to the UNA website for a schedule of activities. <http://www.una.edu/home/2011/11/international-full.jpg>

### **Students First**

Joe Paterno stated “With the benefit of hindsight I should have done more.” Should any UNA employee have knowledge of illicit activity that does harm to a student, report it to your supervisor and then make sure follow-up occurs. If not, take it higher. The incident at Penn State reminds us all to be caretakers for the best interests of our students.

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