

## December 2008

### Alumni Updates

- Jerlando F. L. Jackson (Ph.D., '00), Associate Professor of Higher and Postsecondary Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison was named Editor of the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE) Reader Series. The international research association has only three editorship roles. He will serve a five-year term effective November 2009. Volumes in the ASHE Reader Series consist of previously published articles and book chapters representing exemplary work in the field. The readers are used extensively by faculty and students in higher education programs throughout the country, as well as scholars, policy analysts, and leaders in higher education, business, and government, to stay informed about issues affecting higher education in the United States and abroad. The series is commonly viewed as the canon of the field. Dr. Jackson is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.

### Media Mentions

- Congratulations to Scott McLeod, Associate Professor of Educational Administration. Dr. McLeod's blog *Dangerously Irrelevant* was ranked in the Top 10 by Wall Street Journal's MarketWatch. Additionally, the blog was also requested to be part of the Kaplan's new national website meant to serve current and potential students, education professionals, and industry influencers moving forward.
- ELPS scholars including Laura I. Rendón, Philip L. Vasquez, Jessica J. Ranero, and José Cabrales were referenced in a recent online article in *Diverse* magazine. This online article was a follow-up to a recently published EP3 (Education Policy and Practice Perspectives) issue on Latina/o student success in higher education. They co-authored the piece with Amaury Nora from the University of Houston. See the online article here:  
[http://diverseeducation.com/artman/publish/article\\_12044.shtml](http://diverseeducation.com/artman/publish/article_12044.shtml)
- Scott McLeod, Associate Professor of Educational Administration, was recently contributed a story titled "Just say 'yes' to Wikipedia." See the complete story by clicking [here](#).
- Scott McLeod, Associate Professor of Educational Administration, was recently featured in an article titled "Putting kids on the learning trail," published in the Minneapolis/St. Paul *Star Tribune*. See the article by clicking [here](#).

### Event Recognitions

- The Fourth Annual ELPS Higher Education Research Symposium was held on December 15, 2009 in the Memorial Union. This year's theme was *Research & Scholarship: Enhancing Higher Education*. Students from classes including College Environments and Cultures, Student Development Theory, Intermediate Qualitative Research Methods, and Educational Research were featured presenters at this year's symposium. The research showcase included both posters and presentations of student inquiry.
  - See pictures from this year's symposium by clicking [here](#).

#### Faculty Awards, Honors & Recognitions

- Congratulations to Frankie Santos Laanan, Associate Professor of Higher Education, who was just elected as the new President-Elect (2009) of the Association for Career and Technical Education Research (ACTER). Official presidential duties begin in 2010. Here is the link to the ACTER web site: <http://www.agri.wsu.edu/acter/index.htm>