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THE RAZOR'S EDGE

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2008-2009 Academic Year Just Around The Corner

The OMGT 2008-2009 academic schedule will be available in June or early July.

I can't believe our 2007-2008 academic year is almost over! It seems like some of you just started the program and now you're almost finished! Time sure does fly, doesn't it?

Term V ends July 10 and you'll get a well-deserved month-long

break before classes resume in August. Remember that OMGT 5003 and all prerequisites must be completed before enrolling in your 5th course. Watch our website for the schedule for the new academic year to be posted!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ◆ 5/14/08: Term V classes begin
- ◆ 5/26/08: Memorial Day
- ◆ 6/25/08: Last day to withdraw with a grade of "W"
- ◆ 7/4/08: Independence Day
- ◆ 7/10/08: Term V classes end

OMGT Website Information



Some of you often ask me for information that can easily be found on our website. I'd like to take a moment to get you acquainted with the resources that are available online.

- * Registration dates and class schedule
- * Faculty/Staff contact information
- * Student handbook for Fayetteville students
- * Withdrawal forms
- * Link to the UA library
- * Special Problems information and proposal form
- * Link to MBS Direct (where you can buy textbooks online)
- * Comprehensive exam information
- * Certificate options
- * Course descriptions and book information
- * Financial Aid Office contact info

Other News & Announcements

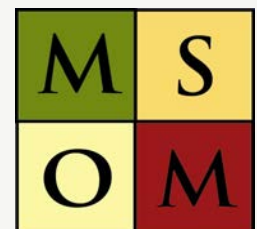
All computer (email) accounts for graduating students and other non-returning students will be deleted. Visit <http://compserv.uark.edu/accountpurge.htm> to find out how to transfer your mail to another account and save your data from

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Please register early for DVD/internet classes. The last two terms my DVD/internet classes have filled up by the second day of registration.

REMEMBER: Textbooks for OMGT classes are usually not available at the campus bookstore. Refer to your OMGT student handbook or our website for information on purchasing textbooks.



Spring 2008 Graduates - Fayetteville Campus

We wish you a hearty congratulations for your dedication, vision, and all the hard work you've put in to further your education. Wishing you all the best in your future endeavors.

Keukeu Abdullah

Alan Miles

Dustin Anhalt

Lindsey Simpson

Marvin Le



Emory Brown

Ssu-Chi Loh

Charles Debes

Steve Roberson

Sharon Williams

Mark Whitley

Ricardo Cassado

Student Spotlight: NSAM Student Matthew Underwood



Normally I only spotlight students from the Fayetteville location but I wanted you all to meet a Memphis student, Matthew Underwood. He has been featured in The Commercial Appeal, a Memphis newspaper, and on National Public Radio.

Navy Lt. Matthew Underwood of Germantown, TN volunteered for a special assignment to help show the Afghan National Army how to operate a modern human resources department. But before returning home in March, he helped save the life of a boy

severely injured by a land mine. He worked with his wife, Jennifer, to distribute about 50 tons of food, school supplies, clothes and other items to about 100 children in Afghan villages. Matt has returned to his normal duty of helping the Navy Personnel Command in Millington, TN manage Navy careers.

He grew up in Memphis, and attended Christian Brothers University in Memphis before transferring to the University of Memphis and its Navy ROTC program. While in Afghanistan, he completed four OMGT courses.

In the service since 2002, Matt is trained as a "ship driver," but he's been assigned to the personnel command since 2005. He volunteered for the "temporary additional duty"

to seize the opportunity to experience a kind of shore duty he wouldn't normally have. One day he was in a convoy picking up and distributing supplies when a caravan it came across tried to get the convoy's attention. Matt's convoy stopped, and he learned that two boys there had just accidentally stepped on an old land mine. One boy lost his leg and the other lost an eye. Matt helped save the life of one of the boys by applying a tourniquet and starting him on an IV.

He says the hours of work could vary widely in Afghanistan, from five hours a week to 80. "Like anything else in life, you have to make time for what you want. There'd be a few weeks when I'd get two or three hours of sleep at night," he says. Matt received his MSOM degree on May 10 with a certificate in human resources.

Keep us posted! Have you gotten married, had a baby, received a promotion, run a marathon, caught a BIG fish, etc...? Email your news, announcements and pictures to omgtfay@uark.edu to share with your OMGT classmates!

Graduation - May 10, 2008

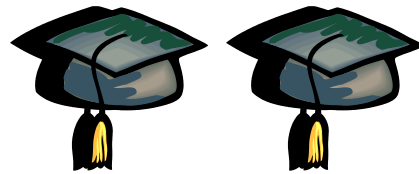
It was a lovely day here in Fayetteville on graduation day, May 10, 2008. We were delighted to see so many of our students on graduation day, and we especially enjoyed having the opportunity to visit with their families and friends at our luncheon in the Bell Engineering Center.



Program Manager Nancy Sloan and Instructor David Daniell.



Nick Moseley and Jason Porter.



Greg Bratton, Cheryl Clay, Emory Brown.



Keuken Abdullab waves as she leaves the morning ceremony.



Fayetteville Site Coordinator April Martin, Lise Frulio, Holly Martin, Alicia Gray.



Ever Dean Johnson and Amy Johnson.



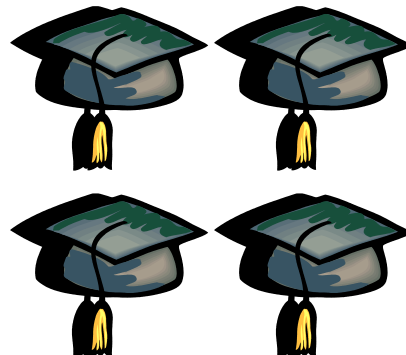
Kenny Taylor, Instructor David Daniell, Jeff Avant.



Jamie Hake



Students enjoy visiting with OMGT faculty and staff and family and friends.





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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

The **Operations Management Master of Science** program at the University of Arkansas focuses on the essential concepts, methods and tools needed to successfully manage work processes and people in a wide spectrum of organizations, including business/industry, military, government and non-profit. Geared toward the working student who typically holds a professional or management position in an organizational setting, the program offers live evening classes that meet in five 8-week terms per year. Courses are also available in DVD/CD, online and independent study formats.

The Operations Management curriculum emphasizes practical knowledge in such areas as project planning, quality management, economic decision-making, supply chain management, human behavior analysis, operations research, and many other areas of importance to today's manager. Students are able to select from over 20 courses to make up the ten required to complete the degree. Through course selection students can also earn certificates in areas of specialization such as **Industrial Management, Business Management, Human Resource Management, or Health & Safety Management**. The University of Arkansas is accredited as a graduate degree granting institution by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

We're on the Web!
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Meet Your Professor: John Moores

John Moores has extensive experience in human resource management, corporate training and development, health care management, higher education, property management, and real estate sales. He teaches OMGT 5303 Health Care Policies and Issues.

John holds an MA in Executive Development and Adult Education (double major) from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana and a BBA in Marketing from Kent State University in Kent, Ohio.

Currently John is the Director of Development at the Northwest Arkansas Free Health Center in Fayetteville. From 2006-2007, John was the Director of Human Resources for Life Styles, Inc., a non-profit agency that supports and assists adults

with developmental disabilities.

He also has provided office management, construction management, property sales, and homeowner relations for a beachfront development in Florida. As the Corporate Director of Human Resources for Charter Behavioral Health System, John was an internal consultant for the corporate Human Resources department. He advised hospitals and clinics on compensation, benefits, employment, employee relations, sexual harassment, and on issues of policy and procedure. John was also the Director of Human Resources at Northwest Arkansas Community College and Vice President of Washington Regional Medical Center, where he chaired the safety committee.



John has taught at the U of A at the undergraduate and graduate levels, John Brown University, Indiana Wesleyan University, and Okaloosa-Walton College. He also has taught OMGT classes at the Hurlburt Field, FL. site.

John has 3 children, one daughter in Madison, WI and a son and daughter in Fayetteville. One grandson in Madison and 2 granddaughters and 1 grandson in Fayetteville. His wife works at Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale. John enjoys sailing and has a sailboat at the Beaver Lake Sailing Club.