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 **FORWARD TO
A FRIEND**



Associate deans named

By Dean J. Brian Atwood

Photo by Doug Knutson

I am pleased to announce that professors Ed Goetz and John Bryson will serve as associate deans this academic year. Ed is the Associate Dean for

Academics, and John serves as

Associate Dean for Research and Centers. The two will serve in a half-time capacity and will continue to teach half time as well. Both bring considerable strengths to their positions. Ed has done a wonderful job running the MURP program and was instrumental in the MURP program accreditation process, earning great praise from the accreditation team. John is widely respected in his field of strategic planning and management.

Ed assumes many of the responsibilities Nancy Eustis has performed as Director of Graduate Studies (DGS), including oversight of the Career Services Offices, coordinating curriculum, scheduling courses, hiring Limited Teaching Status instructors, and working on faculty matters. John will oversee the process of reform launched by the Center Review Committee and the task force chaired by Robert Kudrle. He also will help to facilitate research among centers and faculty at the Institute.

From the alumni board president

By Katie Burns (MA '97)

The recently reconstituted alumni board of directors of the Humphrey Institute Alumni Association (HIAA) began working together during the fall of 2003. Under

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The Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, the University of Minnesota's public affairs graduate school, prepares individuals for public service and designs more effective public policies and institutions. The Institute offers four graduate degree programs and is home to several research and outreach centers and programs.

While hospitable to a wide range of viewpoints, the Humphrey Institute does not take positions on issues. The University of Minnesota is an equal opportunity educator and employer.

the able leadership of 2003-2004 Board President Steve Cramer and in partnership with the Dean's office, the board updated HIAA by-laws; created an electronic newsletter specifically for Humphrey Institute alumni; organized successful alumni networking events in Minneapolis and Washington, D.C.; and awarded Alumni Tuition Grant Program scholarships to a record 12 Humphrey Institute students. [More](#)

2004-2007 Humphrey Institute alumni board members chosen

Katharine Hill (MPP '99) is a project coordinator at the Institute on Community Integration (ICI) at the University of Minnesota. She is responsible for the coordination, implementation, and evaluation of a variety of state and federal research and evaluation projects in the areas of special education and disability policy. Hill also completed a Master of Social Work in a dual degree program with the Humphrey Institute and is a 1994 graduate of Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Aaron North (MPP '02) is director of the Minnesota Charter School Resource Center at the Humphrey Institute's Center for School Change. Previous to his academic and professional work at the Humphrey Institute, he taught high school English with Teach for America in North Carolina. After graduating from the University of Kansas in 1997, North worked for Andersen Consulting and Sprint PCS. North does not enjoy circus clowns, playing the harp, or macramé.

Kate Siggerud (MA '85) joins the alumni board as the Washington, D.C., representative. She works for the U. S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), where she directs GAO's work related to the U. S. Postal Service and federal highway and transit policy. Siggerud remains in close contact with the Humphrey Institute by recruiting Humphrey students for internships and permanent positions at GAO.

Alumni elected to Humphrey Institute advisory council 2004-2007

Mark Irion (MA '84)

Bernadine Joselyn (MPA '00) alumni board representative

Tim Marx (MA '79) alumni board representative

Dave Richardson (MA '72)

Alumni Ambassador - Scott DeLisi (MA '80)

"Ambassador to Eritrea is Minnesota native"

June 15, 2004

by Libby George

Minnesota native Scott DeLisi is headed for Eritrea as the U.S. ambassador, State Department officials confirmed Monday.

The Senate confirmed DeLisi as ambassador to the East African nation early last month, after President Bush nominated him in January. He will take over for Ambassador Donald McConnell later this year.

Sen. Norm Coleman, R-Minn., met with DeLisi after his confirmation to discuss Minnesota's Eritrean population and said DeLisi is the right choice for Eritrea, which he called "a key ally in the war on terror."

DeLisi is a career foreign service officer. Most recently, he served as director of the

State Department Southern African Affairs office. He also has served as deputy chief of mission at the U.S. embassy in Botswana and as a political officer in Colombo, Sri Lanka, and Islamabad, Pakistan.

He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota and his law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School.

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Farewell to Ann Sheldon Duff (MA '73)

Alumna and longtime philanthropic supporter of the Humphrey Institute passed away May 12, 2004. To read about her remarkable life, visit [this web page](#).

Comptroller general to speak at Humphrey Institute October 26

Alumni are invited to attend a lunch-hour discussion with David Walker, the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) comptroller general. A question and answer session will follow his talk. Additional details will be available in October.

Career Services news

Read the latest news about the Mentor program and the alumni job site [at this site](#).

Wanted: Alumni recruitment volunteers

Nina Mattson, recruitment coordinator in the Humphrey Institute admissions office, will be visiting several cities in Minnesota and on the West and East coasts this fall:

- October 4: Washington, D.C.
- October 5: Philadelphia, PA
- October 6: New York, NY
- October 7: Boston, MA
- October 12: Duluth, MN
- October 13: Twin Cities
- October 14: St. Cloud, MN
- October 19: Winona, MN
- October 25: San Diego, CA

October 26: Los Angeles, CA

October 27: Berkeley, CA

October 28: Seattle, WA

If you are interested in talking to prospective students, please contact Nina at nmattson@hhh.umn.edu or (612) 624-2909.

Not quite a graduate?

Grad 999, a free "placeholder" credit, makes completing your degree easier than ever before! We also are considering holding an evening or weekend seminar where we walk through the process of reenrolling in the Graduate School to complete your degree. If there is a Plan B paper between you and your Humphrey Institute degree and you are interested in learning more about new options available to complete your program, please contact the Graduate Programs Office: Steven Schaus (MA, MPP) at sschaus@hhh.umn.edu or (612) 626-7247 or Ramona Cunningham (MP, MURP, MS, MS-STEP, MPA) at rcunningham@hhh.umn.edu or (612) 624-5288.

2004 Election Project

The 2004 Elections Project at the Humphrey Institute's Center for the Study of Politics provides relevant, non-partisan information about the 2004 elections on such topics as voter attitudes and characteristics, campaign spending, and the impact of third parties. The project focuses on policy issues of importance in the Upper Midwestern states of Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, and South Dakota, which have emerged as critical swing states in the 2004 national election.

The Center for the Study of Politics conducts non-partisan political analysis and fosters community outreach to citizens, policymakers, and journalists. To read past and future policy briefs, visit our website at www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/csp. On the website, you also can subscribe to 2004 Election News which offers instant access to news, information, research, polling data, and public forums. You can display 2004 Election News on your personalized University of Minnesota portal page or ask to receive it by e-mail.

Graduate-level certificate in nonprofit management available

The Nonprofit Management Certificate Program at the University of Minnesota is designed for professionals in nonprofit organizations, particularly those who seek formal educational development to increase their effectiveness as nonprofit managers. In this certificate program you will develop critical skills of organizational leadership,

communication, financial management, and strategic planning, and learn about effective governance of nonprofit organizations. Students in this unique interdisciplinary program will benefit from access to graduate-level offerings in many University units. For detailed information see the website at <http://www.cce.umn.edu/certificates/NPM>, call 612-624-4000, or e-mail info@cce.umn.edu.

Fall 2004 Events

Find out more about upcoming events at the Humphrey Institute [here](#).

Not a UMAA member? Sign up now! Call: 1-800-UM-ALUMS or (612) 624-2323 or sign up on the UMAA's secure website at www.alumni.umn.edu/.

Alumni news

Do you wonder what your classmates and fellow Humphrey Institute alumni are doing these days? To find out more, visit [this web page](#).

Update your contact info

Have you moved or changed jobs? Have you got a new e-mail address or telephone number?

We would like to know! Update your information on the Humphrey Institute Alumni [web page](#).

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