Welcome back! The start of the Spring semester offers exciting opportunities for PEWSS students.

Student Teaching

Chelsea Turlington, majoring in Physical and Health Education, is performing her semester of student teaching this spring at Washington Elementary. Chelsea, who is originally from nearby Hendersonville, chose the elementary school setting for this experience because she enjoys working with enthusiastic children who still think everything is so much fun. She also likes being the most popular teacher on campus. Chelsea is being mentored by Mrs. Kim Proctor, who has been a teacher at Washington for 17 years. Chelsea says her favorite part of student teaching is finally getting to try out all of her brilliant, amazing, wonderful, and awesome ideas on actual students. But mainly she loves getting children moving and watching them have fun. Her supervising professor, Dr. Ken Baker, says he expects Chelsea will be successful because she stays up all night working on lesson plans and stresses out way too much because she is an overachiever. Upon graduation in May, Chelsea plans to find a job teaching elementary physical education. (Keep your fingers crossed!)

Kristen Batchler, majoring in Physical and Health Education, is performing her semester of student teaching this spring at Shelby Middle School. Kristen, who is originally from nearby Grover, NC, chose the middle school setting for this experience because she enjoys the challenge of teaching young "teens" about physical fitness and health. Kristen is being mentored by Ms. Pattie Hunt, who has been a teacher at Shelby Middle School for 22 years and has been teaching for 30 years. Kristen says her favorite part of student teaching is getting to know the students, and teaching the students her fun ways of learning health and teaching them new and exciting games in physical education. Her supervising professor, Dr. Ken Baker says he expects Kristen will be successful because she was raised well by her parents, and she has a clear passion for teaching. Upon graduation in May, Kristen hopes to secure an elementary or middle school teaching position in the Cleveland County area.
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The “Everybody Knows Somebody” 5K Run/Walk will be held at 9:00 AM on March 2nd. The moderately hilly 3.1 mile course will tour the Town of Boiling Springs and Gardner-Webb University campus. Registration may be completed via email (ssnyder1@gardner-webb.edu) or on race day between 7:00 to 8:45 AM in the parking lot outside of the Paul Porter Arena. Registration fees are $10 for students and $20 for adults. T-shirts will be given to the first 100 registered. Please visit the GWU NewsCenter for more information: [http://152.44.63.252/newscenter/?p=4729](http://152.44.63.252/newscenter/?p=4729)

Sport Management Student Major Highlight: Satoshi Tatsumi

Satoshi Tatsumi is a senior Sport Management major from Japan. Dr. Ware asked Satoshi to talk about the experiences he had that have opened up many doors of opportunity in the field of Sport Management. His story exemplifies all we hope for in our majors; to take initiative, learn about the profession through experience (internships and volunteering), be professional and responsible in everything you do because every experience has the potential to lead to further opportunities. Here is Satoshi’s story:

To be honest, I wasn't a very good student when I first arrived at Gardner-Webb. I didn’t get good grades and struggled to find motivation in what I wanted to pursue as my career. All I wanted to do at that point was to play soccer.

Through my times of uncertainty, Dr. Gilsdorf guided me to what I am today. He kept on stressing the importance of volunteering and internships, so I gave in and focused more when I was volunteering. Now that I look back at everything, I have countless amounts of volunteering in the sports field, and I ended up loving every bit of it. (Continued on Page 3)
Sport Management Student Major Highlight: Satoshi Tatsumi (cont’d)

To separate myself from others, I decided to get multiple internships. My first one was with a baseball team in Forest City. I worked as an operations intern under Jeremy Boler. Through this internship, I gained many opportunities and connections, the best one being with the Japanese National Baseball team. They offered me a position in their organization for the future.

My second internship was with the Athletic Department of Gardner-Webb. I was successful with them so I still work with them whenever I have a chance.

My third internship was with Dayton Dutch Lions FC in Ohio. I worked as an operations intern, but they let me be in full charge of ticketing and coaching a couple of teams. From this internship I was offered a full time job with Dayton and a chance to work in Wales and Holland.

Because I took initiative and worked hard to pursue my career in the sports management field, Dr. Gilsdorf gave me the opportunity to present at NCAHPERD. This was a great experience. I presented with Taylor Jordan. We decided beforehand that there were three reasons why we should do well. The first was to give back to Dr. Gilsdorf for all that he taught us. The second was to represent Gardner-Webb well, and the third was to be able to share our knowledge about an amazing software program called Sketch-Up that will help sport management students in the future.

As this article goes to print, we have been informed that Satoshi has been offered a prestigious position with the Dayton Dutch Lions FC in Dayton, Ohio. He will be working with Operations and is responsible for daily operations with the men’s pro team, game day staff, interns, coaching young players, travel with the pro team as an agent, and front office duties. Congratulations, Satoshi!