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## *From the Chair*

Hello all

As we go into the busy, energizing holiday season, all my best wishes for safe and joyous celebrations for you, your colleagues and your families. I am so thankful for the extraordinary colleagues I have in our Educational Leadership, Kerry, Anita, Tom and Jody, not to mention educators in the field who take time to collaborate with us. In addition, I want to thank Jo Anne Sizemore for her leadership contributions to our Educational Leadership program. Jo Anne Sizemore, Assistant Superintendent of Scarborough Public Schools, has co-chaired our Educational Leadership Advisory Council, served on numerous focus group, ad hoc, and long-term committees to assist us, and found time to be a part-time instructor in our graduate programs. Like many of you, Jo Anne has championed USM through the tough times, and now is there to help us accomplish new, more challenging goals. I know that there are many, many “thank you’s” to make, and in future open letters I will take the opportunity to acknowledge leaders of our learning community.

As we approach the end of our semester we are all busy meeting and advising students, reading and reviewing all types of excellent student work, eating lots of Holiday treats, and planning for the next steps to grow our graduate programs. What are the big wishes for the coming years?

Topping our wish list for 2017 is a healthy, vibrant program; it is our determination to add a full-time faculty member (just one for now) to join and work in our three programs. Our signature graduate degree is the Educational Leadership program which prepares assistant principals, principals, curriculum coordinators and superintendents. This is the program responsible for developing so many leaders in southern Maine, as many as 70% of the building leadership positions were held by graduate of our program in the past 10 years.

Our two other programs are the Professional Educator and the Ph.D. Program in Public Policy in Educational Leadership. Just to re-cap, the Professional Educator, a 30-credit graduate degree with the emphasis on teacher leadership. There are 12 -15 credit hours focused on high impact strategies for teaching, learning, assessment and leadership, in addition to a 12-credit concentration or certificate (e.g., literacy, ELL, mathematics, science, art) to be selected by the student. The Ph.D. program is now in its second cycle with 25 students immersed in their studies. It is a time- and resource-intensive program with all kinds of possibilities for creative problem-solving and innovative educational work. Finding this person will be a challenge, but the opportunity to build our programs is very exciting.

In order to support our request for a new position we are required to fill out all kinds of internal metrics and quotas, but most of all we need to hear from you. Therefore, we plan to conduct a survey of our alumni to evaluate our program effectiveness. We will be following up with a focus on the Leadership for Tomorrow’s Schools cohorts, as well. Please look for our online survey message we will send out by the first week of January.

As you will read later the Educational Leadership program will graduate its 50<sup>th</sup> class this year! A save the date notice for the evening of May 12, 2017 is now official!! Read more in this newsletter.

Finally, as co-director of the Southern Maine Partnership, with Anita, I am very proud to mention one of our accomplishments this Fall. The format for our principals' meetings shifted to become on-site visits hosted by school principals. The visits begin with the identification of a problem or a goal, a walking tour followed by in-depth dialogue and more reflective dialogue on the identified problem. We have already visited four schools, and have a full schedule for the next five months. We are taking SMP to you! Anita and I hope to see you in one of the schools or at one of our other events in 2017 as we try to bring out valuable regional collaboration opportunities.

Thank you, I hope you have a safe and joyful Holidays! Jeff

Jeff Beaudry, Associate Professor, Educational Leadership; Co-director, Southern Maine Partnership  
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## Educational Leadership Program to Celebrate 50 years

### SAVE THE DATE!

The students, who graduate from the Educational Leadership Program this upcoming May, 2017 will be part of an historic event. Their graduation will mark 50 years that the program has been preparing leaders to serve in the state of Maine and throughout the nation.

To celebrate the 50 years a special celebration is being planned.

Please mark on calendar **Friday, May 12, 2017**. The event will be held in Portland at the Ocean Gateway facility from 6-10 p.m. It will be a time to celebrate with former classmates, faculty and friends of the program. More info will follow as specific details are available.

I would especially like to thank Madeleine Torraca-Jones for designing our logo. Maddy is a Maine native from Falmouth who graduated from the University of Denver in 2014 with a degree in International Studies/ Geography and additional concentrations in Art. She has been doing freelance graphic design and art work for educational and business organizations since 2013, developing and supporting promotional and advertising product designs for web-based and other advertising platforms. Her dad is John Jones a graduate of the Educational Leadership Program and a member of our Advisory Committee.

If you have any questions or would like to assist with the event please contact Jody Capelluti at [joseph.capelluti.maine.edu](mailto:joseph.capelluti.maine.edu).



## Southern Maine Partnership Update

Our December **Great Ideas for Teaching Students/Staff (GIFTS) Teacher Leader Session** was a great success in spite of stormy weather thanks to the amazing round table presentations by regional teacher leaders! Those in attendance were treated to GIFTS of professional learning communities, flipped classroom strategies, Write Science, concept mapping, digital portfolios, the wind challenge, techy formative assessment tools, and a myriad of assessment for learning strategies (gallery walk).

Our second **Superintendent/District Leader Sip and Discuss** morning meeting provided about 30 district and building leaders the opportunity to discuss important concepts from our common read - Balanced Assessment Systems. Our next Sip and Discuss meeting will take place on Thursday, March 2nd from 8:30-10:00 a.m.

We have been privileged over the past few weeks to visit South Portland High School with host Principal Ryan Caron and Saccarappa Elementary School in Westbrook with host Principal Brian Mazjanis. Thank you Ryan and Brian for hosting timely conversations. These visits have been an incredible professional learning experience for all who have joined the **Principal/Assistant Principal Visits**.

### Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, January 18th 8:30-10:00 a.m. --- Yarmouth Elementary School Visit - Principal Betsy Lane

Monday, January 23rd 4:00-6:30 p.m. --- Dine and Discuss - Teacher and Administrator Evaluation --- Giving Effective Feedback to Hone Teaching and Leading Practices

Monday, February 6th 4:00-6:00 p.m. --- Teacher/Instructional Leadership Session with Jan Chappuis on the Emotional Side of Feedback

Wednesday, February 8th 8:30-10:00 a.m. --- Sea Road School Visit, RSU 21 - Principal Stephen Marquis

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## **\*\* IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER \*\***

Monday, January 16: Martin Luther King Holiday – USM Closed

Tuesday January 17: Classes Begin

Monday, January 30: Last Day to drop for 100% refund (classes 12 weeks or more)

Monday, February 20-Friday, February 24: Winter Break (classes resume February 27)

Monday, March 27: Last Day to drop for a grade of “W” (classes 12 weeks or more)

Monday, March 27-Friday, March 31: Spring Break (classes resume April 3)

## Advising Questions? Educational Leadership Faculty:

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## Thinking About Internship?

### **I think I am ready for the Ed. Leadership Internship. What do I need to do?**

The Internship and EDU 677: Seminar in School Management, should be the last set of courses you need to take before graduating from the Educational Leadership Master's. The Internship can also be taken to fulfill the capstone requirement in our post-master's (CAS) in Educational Leadership program.

**Please notify Jody Capelluti at [joseph.capelluti@maine.edu](mailto:joseph.capelluti@maine.edu) as soon as possible if you believe you are ready to start the Internship with the next group, which begins at the end of April. Faculty will review your transcripts and contact you to inform you of your eligibility.**

### **When does the Internship and EDU 677 Seminar in School Management take place?**

EDU 685: Principals, EDU 686: Special Ed. Director, and EDU 688: Curriculum Coordinator Internships are nine graduate credits in total (three credits a semester) that span three consecutive semesters (summer, fall, and spring, respectively). The course meets once every two or three weeks for the whole year. During the summer, the meetings take place during the day, and during the fall and spring, the meetings occur from 7-9:30 PM. Individual meetings with you, your mentor, and your instructor are scheduled three times a year.



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## Educational Leadership Program - Spring 2017

(The schedule below is subject to change; be sure to check MaineStreet.)

Location	COURSE	TITLE/ INSTRUCTOR	Days	Times	Instructor
Online	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques			Beaudry
Portland	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques	Th	4:10-6:40P	Beaudry
Gorham	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques	W	4:10-6:40P	Kuech
Online	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques			Cohen
Online	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques – This is a synchronous class held on Mondays, 4-6:40P			Whitney
Portland	EDU 603	Analysis of Teaching & Assessment	W	4:10-6:40P	Stewart McCafferty
USM-Other	EDU 604	Curriculum Development – This class will be held at Wentworth School, Scarborough	T	4:10-6:40P	Culbertson
Portland	EDU 659	Special Ed Law for School Leaders	T	4:10-6:40P	Hawes
Portland	EDU 667	Professional Ed Capstone(with EDU 699) **			Beaudry
Portland	EDU 671	Organizational Behavior	M	4:10-6:40P	Sizemore
P-Other	EDU 677	Seminar in School Management **	W	4:00-6:30P	Capelluti
Portland	EDU 678	School Law	Th	4:10-6:40P	Forster

P-Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin **	W	7:00-9:30P	Stewart McCafferty
P-Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin **	W	7:00-9:30P	Capelluti
P-Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin **	W	7:00-9:30P	Capelluti
P-Other	EDU 686	Internship in Special Educ Admin **	W	7:00-9:30P	Stewart Mcafferty
P-Other	EDU 687	Internship in Superintendency **	W	7:00-9:30P	Edwards
P-Other	EDU 688	Internship in Curriculum Admin **	W	7:00-9:30P	Edwards
Portland	EDU 699	Independent Study (with EDU 667)**			Beaudry

\*\*Instructor permission required; program staff will register students & confirm via email.  
If you have questions, contact Kerry Bertalan at 780-5316

**LTS-Scarborough Cohort Students:** EDU 679 Evaluation & Supervision of School Personnel will be taught on Tuesdays, 4:00-6:30 PM in Scarborough. This is a non-print course and cohort students will receive a registration form in the mail.



## Educational Leadership Program – Summer 2017

Location	Course	Title	Days	Times	Instructor	Dates
Portland	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques This course meets 4:00-6:30 PM Mon 5/15, Wed 5/17; Mon 5/22, Wed 5/24; Mon 6/5, Wed 6/7; Mon 6/12, Wed 6/14; and 8:30-12:00 PM on Tues 6/20,Wed 6/21	MW  TW	4:00-6:30 PM  8:30-12:00 PM	Beaudry, J.	5/15-6/21
Portland	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques This course meets 4:00-6:30 PM Mon 5/15, Wed 5/17; Mon 5/22, Wed 5/24; Mon 6/5, Wed 6/7; Mon 6/12, Wed 6/14; and 8:30-12:00 PM on Tues 6/20,Wed 6/21	MW  TW	4:00-6:30 PM  8:30-12:00 PM	Stewart McCafferty, A.	5/15-6/21
Online	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques			Cohen, L.	7/3-8/18
Online	EDU 600	Research Methods & Techniques This course meets synchronously on Mondays & Wednesdays from 4:10-6:40 PM.	MW	4:10-6:40 PM	Whitney, J.	5/15-6/28
Portland	EDU 605	Teaching, Learning and Assessment	MTWRF	8:30-4:00 PM	Beaudry, J.	7/10-7/14
Portland	EDU 615	Middle Level Curriculum Development	MTWRF	8:00-3:00 PM	Stewart McCafferty, A.	7/10-7/14
Portland	EDU 659	Special Ed Law for School Leaders	MTWRF	8:30-4:00 PM	Roberts, R.	7/17-7/21
USM- Other	EDU 667	Professional Educator Capstone			Beaudry	5/15-8/18
USM- Other	EDU 678	School Law – This course meets 3:30-7:30 PM on 5/17,24,31; 6/7,14,21,28; 7/5 and 2:00-7:00 PM on 7/12.	W	3:30-8:00 PM	Miller, E.	5/17-7/12
USM- Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin ** See meeting times below.			Capelluti, J.	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin ** See meeting times below.			Stewart McCafferty, A.	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin ** See meeting times below.			Stewart McCafferty, A.	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin ** See meeting times below.			Capelluti, J.	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 685	Internship in School Admin ** See meeting times below.			TBA	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 686	Internship in Special Ed Admin ** See meeting times below.			Capelluti, J.	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 687	Internship in Superintendency ** See meeting times below.			Capelluti, J.	5/17-8/2
USM- Other	EDU 688	Internship in Curriculum Admin ** See meeting times below.			Capelluti, J.	5/17-8/2

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**Meeting dates for EDU 685, 686,687 and 688:** An orientation will be held on Monday, April 24 at 4 PM in room 301 Bailey on the Gorham campus. Class meeting times & dates are Wednesdays, 4:00-6:30 PM on 5/17 & 6/7; and 8:00AM-12:00PM on 6/28, 7/19 & 8/2. Classes are held at King Middle School in Portland.