

to the faculty and staff of Mississippi State University

## Foil to address graduates

Nearly 850 students are scheduled to graduate Aug. 6.

The graduation program begins at 10 a.m. in Humphrey Coliseum. Dr. R. Rodney Foil, vice president emeritus for agriculture, forestry and veterinary medicine, will deliver the commencement address.

Foil retired in June after a 30-year MSU administrative career that included leadership of the Department of Forestry, School (now College) of Forest Resources, Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, and, for the past 13 years, Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine.

A Bogalusa, La., native, he was a faculty member for 11 years at Louisiana State University before coming to

MSU in 1969. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from LSU and a doctorate from Duke University.

Among a long list of academic and professional honors, Foil has been recognized by the Society of American Foresters, Mississippi Seedsmen Association, MSU's College of Veterinary Medicine, and LSU's School of Forestry and Wildlife Management, among others.

He has held numerous leadership positions in the Society of American Foresters and the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges. He also has served on a variety of governmental bodies studying agriculture- and forestry-related issues.



Foil



West

### Virginia Tech alumna

## West heads Forest Products Lab

A Virginia-based U.S. Forest Service projects leader and researcher is the new head of the Forest Products Laboratory.

Dr. Cynthia D. West assumed her new duties at the university late last month. Formal approval of the appointment is pending by the Board of Trustees, Institutions of Higher Learning.

Established in 1964, the lab is the largest state-funded facility of its kind in the United States. A part of the MSU Forest and Wildlife Research Center, it serves an industry that contributes more than \$11 billion annually to Mississippi.

West has served for nine years at the federal Forestry Sciences Laboratory in Princeton, W.Va., and concurrently as adjunct professor of wood science at Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg,

Va., where she was located. She previously held positions in industry, including raw materials planning coordinator for Weyerhaeuser Co. operations in Plymouth, N.C.

Her research has focused on the demand and use of U.S. hardwood in domestic and international markets. She currently is involved in several joint research projects focusing on furniture industry development and trade in Taiwan, Malaysia and China.

West is an authority on the relationships between Southeast Asian furniture industry development and U.S. hardwood lumber trade trends, as well as on ways to link development of the Southern hardwood chip export market with the Japanese pulp industry.

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### Tenure announced

David H. Huddleston, Department of Civil Engineering, was approved for tenure at the June meeting of the state College Board.

# Important fall dates announced

Classes for the 119th fall semester begin Monday, Aug. 23.

Campus housing opens for residency at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14. New student orientation is scheduled on the 18th for all persons who didn't take part in the June sessions.

Final regular fall registration will be held Aug. 19 and 20, with late registration continuing through Sept. 3.

Other major MSU dates for the first semester of the school year include:

—Sept. 6, Labor Day holiday [university closed].

—Sept. 11, Scholars' Recognition Day

for top high school seniors, held in conjunction with MSU's home football game with the University of Memphis.

—Sept. 17 and 18, combined Parents' Weekend for the moms and dads of enrolled students and "Discovery Day" (18th only) for prospective students, both in conjunction with the Oklahoma State University football game.

—Oct. 23, Homecoming festivities for alumni and friends, in conjunction with the Louisiana State University football game.

—Nov. 25 and 26, Thanksgiving holidays [university closed].

—Dec. 6, last day for all new students to apply for 2000 spring semester admission.

—Dec. 17, fall commencement exercises.

New student orientation for the 2000 spring semester will be held Jan. 5, with second-semester classes beginning on the 10th. Spring commencement exercises will be May 13.

Registration information can be obtained in Garner Hall East or by telephoning 325-2023.

## Littlejohn leads national seminar

Dr. Jere Littlejohn, assistant professor of communication, is among five women selected to lead a recent national seminar.

She served as a faculty leader for the 15th Women as Leaders '99 Seminar directed by the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. The 15-day meeting was held in Washington, D.C.

All undergraduate women hailing from more than 50 colleges and universities, the 75 participants were selected through an extensive application process sponsored and funded by the Avon Products Foundation Inc. Based on their experience as leaders, they were awarded full scholarships that provided tuition and housing, as well as academic credit.

Littlejohn joined the Department of Communication in 1991 where she teaches small group communication and public speaking.

The Washington Center is a nonprofit, educational organization that has provided more than 25,000 students over the past 25 years the opportunity to study in the nation's capital.

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In partnership with a number of industries, West also has led efforts to develop and assess ways to incorporate natural hardwood features such as knots and color variation into a "character grade" for furniture and cabinets.

She holds a bachelor's degree in forestry management, a master's in marketing and management and a doctorate in wood science, all from Virginia Tech.



*The Association of Retired Faculty elected new officers at its recent summer meeting. The organization's new leaders are (l-r) Chester McKee, vice president; Margo Swain, secretary; Joe Cardwell, president; and Henry Nash, historian; Charles Moore (r) is a new board member. Treasurer Troy Daniel was unavailable for the photograph.*

## Sexual Assault Prevention gets boost

An ongoing sexual assault awareness and prevention effort at Mississippi State is getting a boost from the state Department of Public Safety.

The university's Sexual Assault Prevention Program is receiving \$51,000 from DPS's Office of Justice Programs. Among other areas, the money will support the annual Sexual Assault Awareness Week that last year drew more than 3,000 students, faculty and staff.

A part of the Division of Student Affairs, the MSU program also provides intervention through a sexual assault response team that includes counseling,

law enforcement and health-care professionals, said coordinator Leigh Jensen.

She and Capt. Georgia Lindley, MSU Police Department special services coordinator, applied for the grant that is funded through the federal Stop Violence Against Women Program.

The grant additionally will enable enhanced educational programming for residence halls and fraternities and sororities.

The education program also focuses on high-risk behaviors such as alcohol consumption and drug use.



# Employment Opportunities

The following vacancies are subject to change on a daily basis.

Mississippi State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

<[www.msstate.edu/dept/business\\_affairs/hrm/employment/postings.html](http://www.msstate.edu/dept/business_affairs/hrm/employment/postings.html)>

## Executive, Administrative and Managerial

- Curriculum and Instruction, Department Head/Professor
- Dining Services, Director
- Wildlife and Fisheries, Department Head
- Human Resources Management, Director
- Office of the President, Vice President for Agriculture, Forestry, and Vet Medicine/Professor
- Office of the Provost, Dean/Director/Professor - College of Forest Resources and Forest and Wildlife Res. Ctr.
- Registrars Office, University Registrar
- Remote Sensing Technologies Center
- Technology and Education, Department Head/Professor
- Meridian Campus, Division of Arts and Sciences Chair/Associate Professor

## Faculty

- Aerospace Engineering, Assistant/Associate Professor (2 positions)
- Aerospace Engineering, Lecturer (Pool)
- Agricultural and Biological Engineering, Assistant Professor/Biomedical Engineer (2 positions)
- Agricultural Economics, Postdoctoral Associate/Research Assistant
- Agricultural Economics, Assistant Professor/Assistant Economist
- Agricultural Information Science and Education, Assistant/Associate Professor (2 positions)
- Animal and Dairy Sciences, Animal Reproductive Physiologist
- Animal and Dairy Sciences, Equine Science
- Animal and Dairy Sciences, Instructor
- Architecture, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Art, Assistant Professor (Painter)
- Art, Assistant/Associate Professor (Foundation)
- Art, Assistant/Associate Professor (Graphic Design)
- Arts and Sciences, Lecturers (Part Time)
- Biological Sciences, Assistant Professor/Microbial Geneticist

- Business and Industry, Assistant Professor of Marketing/Distance Learning-USMC (3 positions)
- Civil Engineering, Associate/Full Professor
- Computer Science, Lecturer Pool (3-4 Part Time positions)
- Computer Science, Instructor
- Counselor Ed. and Ed. Psychology/RRTC, Assistant/Associate Professor and RRTC Research Director
- Curriculum and Instruction, Assistant Professor
- Curriculum and Instruction, Coordinator and Assistant Professor
- Curriculum and Instruction, Coordinator and Associate Professor
- Curriculum and Instruction, Lecturer/Teacher-in-Residence (6 positions, Time Limited)
- Dean of Engineering, Instructor
- Diagnostic Instrumentation and Analysis Laboratory (DIAL), Research Assistant I, II, or Sr. Research Assistant (2 positions)
- Diagnostic Instrumentation and Analysis Laboratory (DIAL), Research Scientist/Engineer I, II, or Sr. Research Scientist/Engineer (5 positions)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Assistant/Associate/Professor
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Professor/Robert Guyton Chair of Teaching Excellence
- Engineering, Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research
- Engineering - College of, Lecturers (Part Time, Time Limited)
- Engineering - Dean of, Technical Communication Coordinator and Instructor
- Engineering - Dean of, Technical Writing Instructor (2 positions)
- Engineering Research Center, Assistant Professor (Computational Engineering)
- Engineering Research Center, Professor of Computational Engineering (2 positions)
- Engineering Research Center, Research Engineer I
- English, Assistant Professor
- English, Visiting Assistant

- Professor (2 positions, Time-Limited)
- Entomology and Plant Pathology, Assistant/Associate Professor/Agronomic Crops Pathologist
- Entomology and Plant Pathology, Assistant/Associate Professor/Row Crop IPM Entomologist
- Foreign Languages, Assistant Professor/Spanish
- Forestry, Assistant Professor/Area Specialist, Forestry Extension
- Forestry, Assistant Specialist/Forest Taxation
- Forestry/FWRC/MSU-ES, Assistant Specialist/Forester - Silviculture
- Health, P.E., Recreation and Sport, Assistant Professor (4 positions)
- Human Sciences, Assistant/Associate Professor (2 positions)
- Landscape Architecture, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Library, Assistant Professor/Librarian and Information Specialist
- Library, Assistant Professor/Reference Services Librarian (2 positions)
- Library, Instructor/Acquisitions/Gifts Librarian
- Library, Instructor/Science Reference Librarian
- Library, Instructor and Cataloger
- Library, Instructor/Serials Cataloger
- Library, Instructor/Serials Librarian
- Library, Instructor/University Archivist
- MCES/Economic and Community Resource Development/Agriculture and Natural Resources, Geospatial Extension Specialist
- Management and Information Systems, Assistant/Associate/Full Professor
- Management and Information Systems, Assistant Professor/USMC Distance Learning
- Management and Information Systems, Assistant/Associate/Full Professor of Information Systems
- Math and Statistics, Associate Professor
- Mechanical Engineering, Assistant/Associate/Full Professor (3 positions)
- Music Education, Director of Choral Activities Assistant/Associate Professor
- Physics and Astronomy, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant/Associate Professor (3 positions)
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant Forage Specialist/Assistant
- Agronomist
- Poultry Science, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Poultry Science, Research Poultry Scientist
- Psychology, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Psychology, Visiting Assistant Professor/Lecturer
- Social Science Research Center (SSRC), Assistant Instructor Applicant Pool
- Social Science Research Center (SSRC), Assistant Social Scientist
- Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, Assistant Professor (4 positions)
- Technology and Education, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor Aquatic Pathobiologist (2 positions)
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor Fish Pathobiologist
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Environmental Toxicology
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Small Animal Surgery (2 positions, Extended)
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Veterinary Anesthesiology
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine (Extended)
- Vet Medicine, Asst. Professor/Instructor Small Animal Community Practice
- Vet Medicine, Branch Librarian/Assistant/Associate Professor
- MAFES/Central MS Research and Extension Center, Raymond, MS, Assistant Entomology Specialist/Scientist
- MAFES/Central MS Research and Extension Center, Assistant Specialist/Assistant Plant Pathologist
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Stoneville, MS, Assistant/Associate Agronomist
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Assistant Fishery Biologist
- MASEP, Instructor/Assistant, Instructor Pool
- MSU-ES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Area Extension Aquaculture Specialist
- MSU-ES/Delta R&E Center, Stoneville, MS, Assistant/Associate Extension Soybean Specialist/Assistant/Associate Weed Scientist
- MSU-Meridian Campus, Business and Industry, College of, Assistant/Associate Professor of Finance
- MSU-Meridian Campus, Business



# Calendar of Events

## Send your calendar items to

Kay Fike Jones, 102 George Hall; Campus Mail Stop 9512; FAX 325-7455; e-mail <jonesk@ur.msstate.edu> at least **TWO WEEKS** in advance. For updates, check <www.msstate.edu> and click on "News" for msu.NOW!

## August 4,5

Final exams.

## 6

Commencement, Humphrey Coliseum, 10 a.m.

## 18

New student orientation.

## 19

Air Force ROTC is administering the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (required for an Office Training School slot and to continue in AFROTC), 207 Middleton Hall, 7:30 a.m. Call Capt. Daryl Woods at 325-3810.

## 19, 20

Final registration.

## 23

Fall semester classes begin.

## 25-28

Golden Triangle Regional Fair, MSU AgriCenter, 716 Poorhouse Road East. 325-9350.

## 27

"Culture Shock," International Student Mandatory Extended Orientation, Rogers Auditorium of McCool Hall, 3-5 p.m. 325-8929.

## 28

Golden Triangle Classic Livestock Show, MSU AgriCenter, 716 Poorhouse Road East. Entry deadline: Aug. 11. 325-9350.

## September

MSU vs. Tulane University, women's soccer, MSU soccer field, 4 p.m.

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and Industry, College of, Assistant/Associate Professor of Management  
• Meridian Campus, Assistant/Associate Professor of Counselor Education (2 positions)  
• Meridian Campus, Assistant/Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction  
• Meridian Campus, Lecturers (Part Time, Temporary)  
• Social Science Research Center, Biloxi, MS, Assistant Instructor

### Other Professional

• Agricultural and Biological Engineering (3 positions, Time Limited)  
• Animal and Dairy Sciences, Dairy Herder  
• Athletics, Sports Information Assistant  
• Athletics, Director of Humphrey Coliseum and Athletic Concessions  
• Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Research Assistant I (2 positions)  
• Business Manager, Plant and Soil Sciences  
• Center for Educational and Training Technology, Research Assistant II/Software Engineer (Time Limited)  
• College of Education, Assistant to the Dean for Student Services  
• College of Education, Coordinator, Instructional Resource Center  
• Continuing Education, Director of Credit Studies  
• Continuing Education, Distance Program Specialist  
• Continuing Education, Manager, Training Development and Conferencing  
• Curriculum and Instruction, Research Assistant I (Time Limited 50%)  
• Development (Architecture), Director/Associate Director of Development/Development Officer  
• Development, Director of Development of the College of Business and Industry  
• Electrical and Computer Engineering, Research Engineer/Research Engineer I  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Electronic Publications Specialist  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Graphic Designer  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Assistant I  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Assistant I (3 positions)  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Assistant I, II, or Senior (4 positions)  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Engineer I (3 positions)  
• Engineering Research Center (ERC), Video and Computer Support Specialist  
• Entomology and Plant Pathology, Research Assistant I (2 positions)  
• Entomology and Plant Pathology, Research Assistant I (Time Limited)  
• Forest Products, Postdoctoral Assistant (Time Limited)  
• Forest and Wildlife Research Center, Financial/Budget Manager  
• Forestry, Research Assistant I (2 positions, Time Limited)  
• Housing and Residence Life, Area Coordinator

• Human Sciences, Teacher, Child Development Center (2 positions)  
• Information Systems, Computer Programmer  
• Information Systems, Database Programmer  
• Information Systems, Programmer Analyst  
• Information Systems, Project Manager  
• MSU Laundry, Manager, Laundry and Dry Cleaners  
• Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service/Geographic Information Systems, GIS Operator  
• Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service/Geographic Information Systems, Business Manager (Time Limited)  
• Mississippi State Chemical Lab, Research Assistant I  
• Mississippi Writing/Thinking, Assessment Coordinator (Part Time)  
• Physical Plant, Heating and Cooling Superintendent  
• Physics and Astronomy, Post Doctoral/Research Fellow (Time Limited)  
• Plant and Soil Sciences, Research Assistant  
• Poultry Science, Research Assistant I (Time Limited)  
• Social Science Research Center, Reporter/Technical Writer (Time Limited)  
• Social Science Research Center, Research Assistant I Applicant Pool  
• Student Support Services, Counselor (Time Limited)  
• Systems and Networks, LAN Systems Analyst  
• Systems and Networks, Sr. LAN Systems Programmer (2 positions)  
• Systems and Networks, Sr. UNIX Systems Programmer  
• University Relations, Publications Editor  
• University Television Center, Program Manager  
• User Services, Computing Consultant (3 positions)  
• Vet Medicine, Aquatic Animal Diagnostic Medicine Intern  
• Vet Medicine, Chief Biostatistician  
• Vet Medicine, Medical Technologist I  
• Vet Medicine, Medical Technologist II  
• Vet Medicine, Medical Technologist I/II  
• Vet Medicine, Resident (Time Limited)  
• Wildlife and Fisheries, Research Assistant I  
• Delta Research and Extension Center (Stoneville, MS), Extension Production Economist/Farm Management  
• MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant  
• MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I (Time Limited)  
• MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I (Part Time, Time Limited)  
• MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant II  
• MAFES/Northeast Branch, Research Assistant II  
• MAFES/Prairie Research Unit, Research Assistant  
• Meridian Campus, Manager, Continuing Education and Distance Learning  
• Meridian Campus, Electronic Services Librarian