

# TIGER HAPPENINGS

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## GSU Establishes Partnership with Saint Monica University



Januarius Asongu (President Saint Monica Univ.)

Grambling State University is partnering with Saint Monica University in Cameroon, Africa, to provide new educational opportunities for the students and staff at Grambling. GSU Interim President Cynthia Warrick signed a Memorandum of Understanding with SMU President Januarius J. Asongu geared at promoting intellectual exchanges between the two institutions.

The goals of the partnership are to build international study and service learning opportunities, establish joint programs, establish a scholar exchange program for professors, lecturers, researchers and students, and organize joint research programs and joint grant proposals. ([read more](#))

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Dr. Cynthia Warrick, Ph.D., RPh  
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### President's Corner

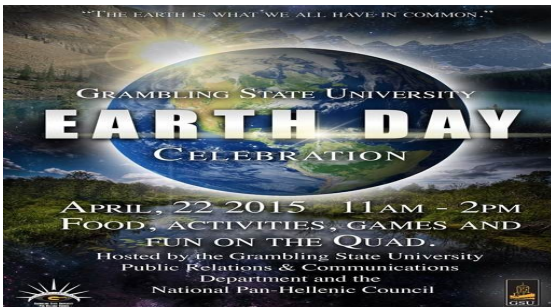
## Students Honored During Spring Honors Day Convocation



Grambling State University honored hundreds of its most talented and academically successful students during the spring Honors Convocation on March 24 in T.H. Harris Auditorium. Obadiah Simmons, Jr., interim head and director of the Department of Kinesiology, Sport and Leisure Studies, recognized students who received honors during the spring 2014 and fall 2015 semesters.

"Some of you are on the Dean's List. Well, you made it to the atmosphere. We applaud you. And then there are those of you on the Honor Roll. Way to go. You're up there. Just keep it up. Remember all the time: the limit is not in the sky. The limit is in the mind," said Cassandra Peoples, director of the School of Social Work, who spoke during the Honors Convocation. ([read more](#))

The Spring 2015 Commencement Ceremony for Grambling State University will take place on May 8. Congratulations to our graduating seniors! You have worked hard to achieve this honor, and I've got news for you: there is more work ahead. Celebrate your accomplishments but plan now for your future. The GSU Career Services department has a new leader, Dr. Sheila Fobbs. Dr. Fobbs brings many years of expertise to this role, and her team is willing and able to assist GSU students with employment and internship applications, interview skills, and appropriate attire. We have a Career Closet that is stocked with clothing (suits, dresses, shirts, etc.); new and slightly used that has been donated by Alumni and the Links, Inc. in Dallas and Grambling. Our partners at CenturyLink have also expressed their willingness to contribute toward the professional work attire for GSU students. ([read more](#))



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## GSU Alumni Elected to Chicago City Council



Greg Mitchell (Chicago City Councilman)

A graduate of Grambling State University has earned a seat in Chicago politics. Gregory Mitchell defeated incumbent Natasha Holmes on April 7 to become the alderman for Chicago's 7<sup>th</sup> Ward.

Mitchell grew up in Chicago and later attended Grambling State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and minors in finance and computer information systems. While at Grambling, Mitchell was an active participant in student government and served as senior class president and vice president of the Student Government Association. He was also named to the Dean's List four years in a row and is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

After graduating from Grambling in 1992, Mitchell held several financial positions before transitioning into the information technology field. His latest position is information technology manager at Chicago Mercantile Exchange, where he oversees IT operations for domestic and global offices.

According to his campaign biography, Mitchell became interested in politics after he began volunteering as a little league and high school baseball coach and mentor. He wanted to address serious quality of life issues that he felt were not being addressed in Chicago's 7<sup>th</sup> Ward.

## Barbershop Art Show Gives Voice to Black Conversations



Joseph Osborne (GSU Student)

Joseph Osborne believes conversations between Black men can lead to greatness and unity in the African American community, and he believes the barbershop is the perfect representation of these important conversations to display through his art.

"My message is unity, to come together and strive to be great. That's the whole reason why Grambling's here, because we want greatness," said Osborne, a senior visual and performing arts major at Grambling State University.

Osborne's senior art exhibition, entitled *No Heroes Noir: La Barbershop Conscience*, was displayed at Dunbar Gallery from March 23 to April 9. ([read more](#))

## NABA Banquet Held to Raise Money for Accounting Students

Grambling's chapter of the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA) is holding its annual banquet on April 20 to help raise money for Grambling State University accounting students who are attending professional conferences in 2015. Much of the proceeds will help students attend NABA's annual Southwest Western Region Student Conference in October. Around 25 to 35 of Grambling's accounting students attend this conference every year, and it helps them gain valuable skills designed to enhance communication and interpersonal skills in a professional environment. ([read more](#))

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