Congratulations to our August graduates!
Bo Carter, Tamera Dameron, Rebecca Ekpe, Stephanie Landa, Dan Malone, Amber Mau, Jameela Sayed Ali, Jacob Taylor and Rhaashaun Trammell.

Meet the fall profs

Journalism faculty guides careers from the graduate classroom

Daechun An
Teaching: Research Methods I
Researching: International advertising, global brand management, Web advertising, sex roles in advertising
Extracurricular hobbies or interests: Golf and music

Jacqueline Lambiasi
Teaching: PR Ethics, Law & Diversity, PR Principles, Computer Applications for Journalists
Researching: Sexual appeals, gender & marketing/advertising, PR and health care messages
Extracurricular hobbies or interests: Yoga, traveling, literature, kayaking
Passionate about: Two daughters, spouse, and the guilty pleasure of a funny Reno 911! episode

Mitch Land
Director of the Mayborn Graduate Institute of Journalism
Teaching: Public Opinion & Propaganda, Media Ethics, International Communication
Researching: Media ethics and African media systems
Extracurricular hobbies or interests: Working out, movies and broadcast and print news
Passionate about: My family and God

David Wachanga
Teaching: Readings in Mass Communication
Researching: Clandestine radio broadcasting, international communication and information transfer, emerging ethical challenges and emerging media technologies in the African media systems, representation of the marginalized
Extracurricular hobbies or interests: Creative writing, theater arts, racket games, literary and cultural criticism
Passionate about: My family, human dignity and international peace

Welcome! The Mayborn Graduate Institute of Journalism extends a warm welcome to UNT’s new president, Dr. Gretchen Bataille.

NT Daily delivers 90 years

By Sarah Whymans

In 1916, the University of North Texas was North Texas State Normal College. Enrollment was roughly 1,500 students. And the NT Daily, then known as the Campus Chat, was born. Ninety years later, the NT Daily boasts an interesting history and tales worth telling.

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Mayborn grad inspiration

By Jacob Taylor

The 2006 Mayborn Literary Nonfiction Writers Conference of the Southwest was a great success in its second year, according to the many Mayborn alumni and students who attended.

As in its first year, the conference served as a learning and networking experience for students and alumni, and several Mayborn attendees sent their comments about the conference to Strong Words.

Mayborn scholar and conference attendee Randena Hubstrand said, “One of the important messages I took from the conference, as a whole, is that a nonfiction writer must ‘let the story become what the story is,’” stated by Robert Rivard. Karen Thomas said to ‘keep open to what the story is telling us. Be still and listen.’ I left the conference so inspired to write stories that eloquently capture the multidimensional sides of people, letting the whole truth transcend.”

Mayborn scholar Michael Mooney won second place, with a $2,000 cash prize, in the article and essay competition at this year’s conference, and attended the Literary Nonfiction class in Archer City in 2005 and 2006. Of his experiences in Archer City, Mooney said, “I think seeing how the top professionals interact with people, and getting some insight as to how they think and function as humans and not just classic bylines, was more enlightening and educational than I ever could have imagined.”

George Newtown and Dorie Biebrmann won first and third places with cash prizes of $3,000 and $1,000, respectively.

Craig Hanley won the manuscript competition and was awarded a provisional book contract with UNT Press.

Mayborn scholar and alumna Cecile Satin also attended the conference. “It was a very unique experience that will stay in my memory for quite a while,” Satin said. “Many of us created a writing bond and friendship with some of the other participants. We are still communicating and exchanging writing tips and suggestions. It is like a circle of writers helping each other out.”

The third Mayborn literary conference is scheduled for July 2007.

Jacob Taylor graduated in August 2006 from the Mayborn Institute with an emphasis in news-editorial.

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Mayborn Calendar

Saturday, Oct. 7: UNI Homecoming and 90th birthday party for the NT Daily
- Journalism parade float to be judged at 11 a.m.
- Parade at 1 p.m.
- Tent activities and cake competition at Fouts Field from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 13: Comprehensive Exam
Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-24: Thanksgiving break

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AWAKENING: Mayborn alumna Justin Harrelson (center) takes the top place in the Men’s II division of the Air Nautique WWA Wakeboard National Championship this August.

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NOTEWORTHY: Keynote speaker Gay Talese praises the Mayborn conference Saturday night at the conference.

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