



CALENDAR OF EVENTS	WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS
Monday	Welcome Back Our winter break is over and the spring 2006 semester has begun. The Department of Public Administration welcomes faculty and students back.
Classes Begin	Article by Dr. Lawther Published An article co-authored by Dr. Lawther was published in the November 2005 issue of the <i>International Journal of Public Administration</i> . The title of the article is: "Public Private Partnerships in Transportation Policy: the Case of Advanced Traveler Information Systems".
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Dr. Wang Presents at Renmin University in China In December 2005, Dr. XiaoHu Wang visited Renmin University of China. He met faculty in the School of Finance and gave a presentation entitled "The Expenditure Structure of United States Governments: An Overview." Dr. Wang was invited by the faculty of that university, who are conducting a state-sponsored research on public expenditure and its impact on income distribution in China.
11:30 AM -12:00 PM Search Candidate Dr. Feldheim <i>Symbols & Myths in Public Service</i> 12:15 – 2:00 PM Departmental Meeting 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM WebCT and Online Teaching Update	Dr. Demir Visiting Assistant Professor in Spring The department has hired Dr. Demir as a visiting assistant professor for the spring 2006 semester. Dr. Demir recently graduated from Florida Atlantic University with a Ph.D. in public administration. His new office is HPA II Room 235.
Thursday	Urban and Regional Planning Event- January 25, 2006 Noted author Carl Hiassen will discuss "Naturally Central Florida: Putting the Pieces Together" at an environmental forum on January 25, 2006 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The forum is free and sponsored by UCF's Metropolitan Center and myregion.org. It will be held at The Ballroom at Church Street in downtown Orlando. Please call 407-823-2741 for reservations.
OPA Book Swap 5 -7 PM Room 247	OPA Book Swap- Thursday January 12 from 5-7 PM Wait Don't buy or resell books. Bring all your old books to OPA's Book Swap! Don't pay for books that you could get for free! Join us in HPA II Room 247 from 5 -7 PM on Thursday January 12 th .
Friday	
Add /Drop Ends @ 5:00 PM	IMPORTANT NOTICE Faculty Annual Reports Due January 23, 2006 The university is moving to a calendar year for faculty evaluations, and December 31, 2005 was considered the end of the current evaluation period no matter what terms it covers. Faculty members will receive a blank annual evaluation form via e-mail this week.
	Faculty Evaluations Must Be Completed by March 1, 2006 In addition annual evaluations and Cumulative Progress Evaluations for all tenure track faculty need to be completed and to the faculty member no later than March 1, 2006.

