

# Graceland University

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Global Education at Your Fingertips

## **Julie McElroy, Elementary SPED Teacher**

The iPad project paired Graceland education students with Lamoni elementary students to use technology to motivate struggling readers and writers to read and write - with an enthusiastic, trained mentor at their side. The project resulted in hours of fun and learning. The students produced print books, ebooks, videos of their books being read and celebrated with a book-reveal party at the end of the semester!

## **Keeley Brunner, Student**

For my Analysis and Correction of Reading Disabilities class, I had the opportunity to work with a 3rd grade special education student. As part of this project we were to create a book with our student. In order to do this we first showed the students some story making apps. We also taught them that iPads can be used for schoolwork and not just play. The next thing we taught the students was how to use Siri. My student really enjoyed this because he was fascinated with the fact that he could say something and the iPad would type it out for him.



## **What is GUniverse?**

GUniverse is a broad initiative to provide students in the Edmund J. Gleazer School of Education with an engaging educational experience while providing access to a world of resources. The use of the technologies and pedagogies associated with this initiative will help to prepare you for your professional career.

### *Why are we doing this?*

For years, Graceland's Edmund J. Gleazer School of Education has been on the cutting edge when it comes to the integration of technology into our profession. This initiative is the next logical step in providing the needed tools for our students to learn with and gain the needed skills for starting their teaching career.

### *Where can I find out more about GUniverse?*

Go to: [www.graceland.edu/GUniverse](http://www.graceland.edu/GUniverse) for more information!



## **GUniverse Includes...**

- Each student will receive the latest iPad model covered by a three year AppleCare+ warranty.
- Each student will also get a license for an electronic portfolio (Chalk and Wire)
- All paid apps needed for class are provided free of charge.
- Access to color and grayscale printers, scanners, video and still cameras, tripods, professional microphones, and more.

## **How will it be paid for?**

During the first eligible semester each student receiving an iPad will be billed a technology fee to cover the cost of the iPad and warranty. This cost will vary from year to year but has been set at \$700.00 for the 2015-16 school year. During this year, the normal annual technology fee (\$110.00) will be waived although you will still receive all of the benefits provided by that fee.

### *Who owns the iPad?*

You do. The moment you pick up your iPad it becomes your property and responsibility.

### *How will this impact my courses?*

iPad use in classes will vary depending on the individual faculty member and the course. Faculty in the Edmund J. Gleazer School of Education are already planning to use iPads in at least one task in their classes. It is critical for your success to bring your iPad and its available resources to class each day. Faculty members will set policy on class requirements.

### *Will I have to buy apps in addition to textbooks?*

NO. Apps required for your classes will be provided by the Edmund J. Gleazer School of Education at no charge. At the end of the course you can decide if you want to purchase the app to keep.

### *How will I purchase apps for my iPad?*

You will need to create an Apple ID. You will not need a credit card to create the ID, but you will need one to make any purchases.

