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FSU Reports Highest-Ever Enrollment, Second Record Transfer Class

FSU has enrolled the largest number of students in the institution's 116-year history, including its largest-ever transfer class, and a freshman class of 961 that is 7.1 percent higher than the previous year's.

With 5,645 total students, FSU's overall enrollment is up 3.1 percent from the previous year. Transfer enrollment has increased by 12.4 percent to 570, also the highest ever for the second year in a row.

"Enrollment is trending upward at the same time that we are accepting better academically prepared students from a decreasing pool of students statewide," said President Jonathan Gibraltar at his annual campus convocation. "It also speaks highly of our University that we draw so many students up from downstate when there is no shortage of great universities around the (Baltimore and Washington) beltways. It tells me we're doing a lot of things very well."

Diversity of the student body continues to increase as well. "From 20.6 percent of our enrollment in 2006, minority students now comprise 39.5 percent of our enrollment, and African-American students have increased from 16.6 to 28.8 percent of our enrollment over the same time period," Gibraltar said.

These strides come amid several key developments at FSU. One is the opening with the fall semester of the Center for Communications and Information Technology (CCIT). CCIT is home to the disciplines of Computer Science and Information Technologies, Graphic Design, Mass Communication/Communication Studies and Mathematics. CCIT also houses WFWM, the NPR affiliate radio station; FSU-TV3, the cable TV channel; and the Multimedia Learning Center, which includes a planetarium.

Online education has shown strong growth. Of the total FSU enrollment, 660 students are in fully online programs. The strongest recent growth has come in the R.N. to Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, the first in a series of new offerings in the health sciences planned for the coming years. The Master of Science in Nursing was first offered this fall after receiving approval in May.

The number of students also increased at each of the other locations where FSU offers programs, the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown, Community College of Baltimore County – Catonsville and Arundel Mills Regional Higher Education Center, an increase reflected in the total enrollment number. In addition, residence halls and Edgewood Commons, the privately run apartment complex on campus, are at or very near capacity.

New efforts to help students pay for college are being implemented, especially the new Allegany County Opportunity Scholarship, created by the Allegany County Commissioners and funded with a portion of the county's revenues from the new Rocky Gap Casino and Resort. Designated specifically for Allegany County residents, more than 100 local students benefited from the scholarship for the first time this fall.

Music

Unless otherwise noted, recitals and concerts will take place in PAC Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Music at x4109.

Maryland Symphony Orchestra to Perform Mozart and Mahler at FSU



Pianists Christina and Michelle Naughton

CES at FSU will present the always-popular Maryland Symphony Orchestra when it returns to PAC Pealer Recital Hall for a Masterworks concert on **Friday, Oct. 10**, at 7:30 p.m.

Under the leadership of Musical Director Elizabeth Schulze, this year's performance features two classic masterpieces: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's "Concerto for Two Pianos and Orchestra No. 10 in E-flat Major" and Gustav Mahler's "Symphony No. 1 in D Major."

Guest artists, pianists Christina and Michelle Naughton, will join the orchestra on the Mozart concerto. These remarkable twin sisters have been praised across the world for their talent and technique.

Preceding the performance, through the CES Inspiring Audiences program, Schulze will share details about the evening's musical selections and composers in Prélude, which begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall. This event is open to all ticket holders.

Tickets are \$34 for adults and \$28.90 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available.

For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES' webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.

Wind Ensemble Concert to Feature Music From Around the World

The FSU Wind Ensemble, under the direction of **Dr. Philip Klickman**, will play music from around the world at its upcoming concert on **Sunday, Oct. 12**, at 3 p.m. Infused with music from Latin America to Asia, the program will feature classic band literature both old and new, including "Variations on a Korean Folk Song" by John Barnes Chance, "English Folk Song Suite" by Ralph Vaughan Williams and "La Fiesta Mexicana" by H. Owen Reed. Also on the program is "Illinois March" by Edwin Franko Goldman and "October" by Eric Whitacre.

Admission at the Wind Ensemble event is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and free for children 12 and under. Admission is collected at the door, cash only.

Preston Pugmire to Demonstrate Looping Technique



The FSU Tunes at Noon series will host musician Preston Pugmire on **Tuesday, Oct. 14**, at noon in the loft of the Lane University Center. The concert is sponsored by FSU's Office of Student Activities and is free and open to the public.

Pugmire is a solo artist who creates beats, guitars, bass and vocals simultaneously. With the use of an electronic floor pedal, Pugmire records anything he plays live. This unique technique is called looping, which allows him to layer multiple sounds on one another. His performances keep audiences engaged as an original piece is created on the spot. With the use of traditional instruments and everyday items like a deck of cards, the sounds Pugmire produces are like no others.

For the last four years, Pugmire has entertained crowds all over America with his looping performances. His website is www.prestonpugmire.com. For info, contact the Lane Information Desk at 301-687-4411.

CES/Alumni Association Present Classic Rock Group Firefall in LIVE! at StarScape Performances for Homecoming Weekend



CES at FSU joins the FSU Alumni Association in celebrating FSU's Homecoming Weekend by presenting classic rock greats Firefall in two intimate LIVE! at StarScape performances at 7:30 and 10 p.m. on **Friday, Oct. 17**, in Lane Manicur Hall.

Since their debut in 1974, Firefall has captivated classic rock fans with their soaring harmonies, heartfelt showmanship and musical dexterity. Recognized for multiple chart-topping hits, including "You Are the Woman," "Just Remember I Love You" and "Strange Way," Firefall has endured as a radio mainstay throughout their 40-year history.

Tickets range from \$30 to \$200 for a VIP Meet and Greet experience.

For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES' webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.

Mikayla Young and Zachary Dodge in Joint Junior Recital

Soprano **Mikayla Young** and guitarist **Zachary Dodge** will perform a joint junior recital on **Sunday, Oct. 19**, at 3 p.m. They will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. James DeWire**.

Dodge will perform "Lágrima" by Francisco Tárrega, "Vals Venezolano No. 3" by Antonio Lauro, "Sonate, Op. 21, No. 1, Moderato" by Ferdinando Carulli, "Sunburst" by Andrew York and "Once Upon a Rainy Day" by Jubing Kristianto.

Young will perform “Sapphische Ode,” “Immer Leiser” and “Dein Blaues Auge” by Johannes Brahms; “Clair de Lune,” “Les Berceaux” and “Au bord de L’eau” by Gabriel Fauré; “Cowboy Songs,” including “Bucking Bronco,” “Lift Me Into Heaven” and “Billy the Kid,” by Libby Larsen; “Porgi Amor” from “La Nozze di Figaro” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; “Quando Men Vo” from “La Boheme” and “Signore, Ascolta!” from “Turandot” by Giacomo Puccini; and “El Vito” by Fernando Obradors.

Together, Dodge and Young will perform “En Jerez de la Frontera” and “Adela” by Joaquin Rodrigo and “Il Bacio” by Luigi Arditi. They will be joined on “Il Bacio” by *Charles Engleka* on guitar.

Grand Mid-Atlantic Fiddle, Banjo and Mandolin Championship

Award-winning bluegrass band the Steep Canyon Rangers will be the headline performers at the 21st anniversary of the Grand Mid-Atlantic Fiddle, Banjo and Mandolin Championship on **Saturday, Oct. 25**, at the Lyric and Palace Theatres in Frostburg. This event is presented by the Cumberland Lions Club in cooperation with Del’s Army and WFWM Public Radio.

The championship will take place in the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St., from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and features contestants in Youth (ages 18 and under), Adult (19 to 54 years old) and Senior (55 and older) categories for each instrument. There is no entry charge for contestants or those attending, although donations to the Cumberland Lions Club are appreciated.

Following the competition, the Steep Canyon Rangers and Grand Ole’ Ditch will perform at the Palace Theatre, 31 E. Main St., beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets, required for the evening concert, can be purchased from Main Street Books in Frostburg and the Book Centre in Cumberland or online at www.midatlanticfiddle.com.

For info or to receive entry materials for contestants, call 301-724-7976.

Tenor Robert Brown to Perform Junior Recital

Tenor *Robert Brown* will perform his junior recital on **Sunday, Oct. 26**, at 3 p.m. He will be accompanied by *Dr. Sean Beachy* on piano.

Brown will perform “Ombra mai fu” from “Serse” by George F. Handel, “Sailor’s Song” by Franz Joseph Haydn, “Lydia” by Gabriel Fauré, “Ouvre tes yeus bleus” by Jules Massenet, “Ich liebe dich” by Ludwig von Beethoven, “Ständchen” by Franz Schubert, “O liebliche Wangen” by Johannes Brahms, “Bon jour, ma belle!” by Arthur Henry Behrend, “O Fair to See” by Gerald Finzi, “Do Not Go My Love” by Richard Hageman, “Una furtiva lagrima” from “L’elisir d’amore” by Gaetano Donizetti, “Malincolnia, ninfa gentile” by Vincenzo Bellini, “Donna, vorrei morir” by Francesco Paolo Tosti, “Sole e amore” by Giacomo Puccini and “Torna a suriento” by Ernesto de Curtis.

Readings

FSU’s English Honors Society to Host Banned Books Reading

To encourage Americans not to take for granted their freedom to read, FSU’s chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honors Society and the Ort Library will have their annual reading of banned and challenged books on **Tuesday, Oct. 7**, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Ort Library. The event is free and open to the public.

The books readers choose vary greatly in genre, level and style, but they all have one thing in common – somewhere, a group of people, such as the government, a Parent-Teacher Association or a religious group, wanted them silenced.

For info, contact Dr. Mary Anne Lutz at 301-687-4237 or mlutz@frostburg.edu or Dr. Lea Messman-Mandicott at 301-687-4397 or lmessman@frostburg.edu.

Center for Creative Writing to Present Writer Reginald McKnight



The Frostburg Center for Creative Writing will host writer Reginald McKnight, a novelist, short story writer and educator, on **Thursday, Oct. 23**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre, 22 E. Main St. in Frostburg. This event is free and open to the public.

McKnight’s first book, “Moustapha’s Eclipse” (1988) contains short stories set in Senegal and won the 1988 Drue Heinz award for short fiction. McKnight’s other famous works include “I Get on the Bus” (1990), “The Kind of Light That Shines on Texas” (1992), “White Boys” (1998) and “He Sleeps” (2001). He was also an editor for the non-fiction works “African-American Wisdom” and “Wisdom of the African World” (1996).

McKnight is a winner of the O. Henry Award, the Kenyon Review Award for Literary Excellence, the PEN Hemingway Special Citation, the Pushcart Prize and a Whiting Writer’s Award. Since 2002, he has been the Hamilton Holms Professor of English at the University of Georgia in Athens.

For info on the fall 2014 reading series, contact the Center for Creative Writing at cwcenter@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4340. Visit www.blackpast.org/aah/mcknight-reginald-1956#sthash.XZYbkQSy.dpuf for more about McKnight.

Presentations

ACS Students to Host Networking Event and Webinar on ‘Speaking Simply’



The FSU student members of the American Chemical Society, along with the Western Maryland Section of ACS, will host “Speaking Simply: Communicating Your Science” on **Tuesday, Oct. 7**, in Compton 358. The program will consist of a networking event at 6:30 p.m., followed by a webinar on communicating science at 7 p.m. The

speakers will be Douglas Dollemore and Darcy Gentleman, both from the ACS Office of Public Affairs.

Dr. Nabijan Tursun of Radio Free Asia to Speak on Uyghur People

Dr. Nabijan Tursun will give a talk, “The Great Chess Game: The Uyghurs Between the Russian and Chinese Empires in the Early 20th Century,” **Thursday, Oct. 9**, at 7 p.m. in Dunkle 218.

Tursun is a senior editor of Radio Free Asia, Uyghur service, in Washington, D.C. He is an expert on Central Asia, Russia and China. His research focuses on the Central Asian Uyghurs, a Turkic ethnic minority primarily living in Xinjiang, China.

For info, contact Dr. Paul Charney, Department of History, at 301-687-3120, or pcharney@frostburg.edu.

Indie Lit Festival Brings Writers, Publishers Together

Creative writers have the opportunity to gain valuable resources and skills on **Friday, Oct. 10**, and **Saturday, Oct. 11**, in Frostburg, meeting directly with editors and publishers and learning all about writing and publishing, at the eighth annual Western Maryland Indie Lit Festival. The event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by FSU’s Center for Creative Writing in partnership with the Allegany County Library System.

Presses include Free State Review, Samsara Magazine, PM Press, Bottom Dog Press, Black Hat/Black Tree Micropress and Cheat River Review.

The event will kick off with a poetry slam on Thursday, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Dante’s, 16 W. Main St., open to participants ages 18 and older. This event costs \$2 to attend or participate; proceeds will be divided among the winners.

On Friday, a book reading will take place at Main Street Books beginning at 5:30 p.m., and on Saturday, panels and roundtable discussions will occur all day at various locations on Main Street from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Panel discussions include Comic Books and Graphic Novels, Food Writing, Ask the Editor, Writing and Spirituality, Writing for Kids of All Ages, Digital Tools for Writers: From Inspiration to Creation to Publication, Publishing 101 and more. Roundtable discussion topics include Mystery, Sci-Fi, the Novel, Poetry and Creative Nonfiction.

A book fair will be hosted throughout the day on Saturday in the Lyric Theatre, and from 5 to 6 p.m., a reception will be held in the Lyric Theatre as part of the city of Frostburg’s Arts Walk.

Leading up to the Indie Lit Festival, interviews and info about participating presses and journals will appear on the center’s website. For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter or contact the center at cwcenter@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4340.

Dr. Austin Dacey to Discuss Hobby Lobby Case at Philosophical Forum



As part of FSU’s fall 2014 Philosophical Forum, **Dr. Austin Dacey**, a lecturer in the Department of Philosophy, will give a presentation on “Beyond Religious Freedom: Conscience and the Law After Hobby Lobby” on **Tuesday, Oct. 21**, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

In June 2014, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that “closely held” for-profit corporations cannot be required to provide health plans including contraception because this violates owners’ free exercise of religion. This talk presents a legal, philosophical and moral case against special protection of religion and for equal treatment of all claims of conscience.

Dacey, a former NGO (non-governmental organization) representative to the United Nations, is the author of “The Secular Conscience: Why Belief Belongs in Public.” His writings have appeared in the New York Times, USA Today, Salon and Dissent.

For info, contact Dr. Michael Mathias at 301-687-3094 or mbmathias@frostburg.edu.

Fall Academic Enrichment Series

The fall 2014 Academic Enrichment Series, presented by the Academic Success Network, will assist with preparing for life after college, improving your academic skills, building self-confidence and networking skills and learning more about yourself and campus resources.

David Stern, a lecturer in the Department of Communication Studies, will give a talk on “Speaking and Presenting With Confidence” on **Monday, Oct. 6**, at 1 p.m. in Lane 113 and **Wednesday, Oct. 8**, at 5 p.m. in Lane 108. This program will provide students with straightforward techniques and a basic structure that can be applied to class presentations and public speaking in general. Students will also learn about adapting to diverse audiences, finding and evaluating credible evidence and dealing with stage fright and anxiety.

For info, contact the Center for Academic Advising and Retention at 301-687-3404.

Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Pieter deHart, Virginia Military Institute, will present “Insights Into the Ontogenetically Variable Trophic Niche of a Praying Mantis (*Tenodera aridifolia sinensis*)” on **Thursday, Oct. 9**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule.

Workshops

Center for Teaching Excellence Continues Teaching Tuesdays



The Center for Teaching Excellence will hold its first Teaching Tuesday of the semester with “Making Groups Work” on **Oct. 7** from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Lane 244, South Addition. The group will discuss strategies that help students get the most out of group work, when group work is appropriate, realistic expectations of groups, how to get groups back on track, why some groups fail and more.

Upcoming Teaching Tuesdays will include “Fostering Critical Reading” on **Nov. 4** and “Building Better Syllabi” on **Dec. 2**.

For info, contact Shoshana Brassfield at srbrassfield@frostburg.edu or Eleanor McConnell at ehmcconnell@frostburg.edu. Find CTE on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CTEFSU.

Points of Pride

FSU’s Online Master of Education, Special Education Concentration, Ranked by GetEducated.com as “Best Buy”



FSU’s online Master of Education, Special Education concentration, has been ranked a “Best Buy” by GetEducated.com, the consumer guide to online colleges, in its independent review of online master’s in the education and special education subject areas. FSU’s program ranked 21st on the special education rankings among all competing options nationwide.

The online Master of Education, Special Education concentration, is designed for certified teachers or those eligible for certification wishing to add a special education certification. Students can participate full- or part-time and can earn the degree entirely online or attend some of the core education courses on campus.

The Master of Education, Special Education concentration, like FSU’s other teacher-preparation programs, is accredited by NCATE, the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Comprehensive rankings for the Best Affordable Master’s in Education Online are based on a survey of 439 online master’s programs from 147 schools offering online options. FSU’s program ranked 71 on this comprehensive list. For the Best Affordable Online Master’s Degree in Special Education, the online college affordability rankings compared tuition and distance learning fees at 49 programs offered at 37 universities with online-only options across the country.

“FSU has constructed a laudable online delivery system for advanced teacher education. The University’s e-learning system ensures that career advancement is accessible and available in rural areas, especially in areas where no educational opportunity previously existed for working teachers in need of post-bachelor specialization in critical shortage areas such as special education,” said Vicky Phillips, founder of GetEducated.com. “FSU is a national leader in the area of teacher education. The school is a laudable example of how the affordability and accessibility crises in teacher education are being solved by traditional schools willing to do the hard work of engineering technologically innovative teaching systems,” said Phillips.

To view the lists of “Best Buys” in online master’s degrees in education, visit <http://bit.ly/XXcNWY> and <http://bit.ly/1qndz63>.

The average cost of an online master’s in education, according to the survey, is \$18,301, and the average cost of an online master’s degree in special education is \$15,857. GetEducated.com estimates the cost of FSU’s online Master of Education, Special Education concentration, at \$13,728 for Maryland residents.

For more information about FSU’s online Master of Education, Special Education concentration, call the Office of Graduate Services at 301-687-7053, email gradservices@frostburg.edu or visit www.frostburg.edu/grad.

Samuel Blum Earns Award at Biological Honor Society Convention



Senior biology student **Samuel Blum** earned an honorable mention for the John C. Johnson Award for Excellence in Student Research this past June at the National Convention of the Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society held at Gannon University in Erie, Pa. Blum presented a poster titled “Effects of The Hessian Fly Responsive Gene on Tobacco Hornworm Development” describing his work determining if transgenic tomato plants carrying a gene from wheat are better able to resist their insect attackers than plants that do not carry the extra gene. He completed the research as part of an independent study project through the Department of Biology and under the direction of Dr. David Puthoff.

Take Note

FSU Planetarium Shows Resume in New CCIT



FSU’s planetarium shows have resumed in the University’s new Center for Communications and Information Technology. The planetarium programs are held on the ground floor, in the Multimedia Learning Center, **each Sunday through Dec. 21** at 4 and 7 p.m. with programs changing each month. Each program runs about 45 minutes and is free and open to the public.

In October, the planetarium program will be “Roasted Planets, an Oasis and a Frozen World.” In November, “Life Among the Giants?” will address whether or not moons can sustain life.

“The new projector is much more versatile than the previous one,” said Dr. Bob Doyle, the MLC director and an associate professor in the Department of Physics and Engineering. “Our digital projector system has no gears, motors or mirrors like the old projector, so we can go from one sky location to another as quickly as we like.”

An added feature is that following the 4 p.m. program, there will be a tour of the Cavallaro Collection in FSU’s Science Discovery Center in the adjacent Compton Science Center. The collection, donated by Dr. Joseph Cavallaro, who is a native of Westernport, Md., features over 200 mammal specimens, most full body mounts, from more than 50 safaris. The animals can be photographed from just a few feet away.

The center includes a large 40-foot-wide tilted dome and more than 70 seats underneath, also tilted, which provide viewers with wide-angle images and animation. For astronomy, central projectors cover the dome with the night sky or views of trips to other planets and star systems. The powerful computers in the console also allow space and time travel, journeying back many thousands of years and forward far into the future. In addition to the planetarium programs, MLC is used for media presentations, classes and conferences.

CCIT is home to the disciplines of Computer Science and Information Technologies, Graphic Design, Mass Communication/Communication Studies and Mathematics. CCIT also houses WFWM, the NPR affiliate radio station, and FSU-TV3, the cable TV channel.

Ticket distribution for the planetarium shows begins 20 minutes before the start of each program. Attendance is limited to about 70 persons.

For info, contact Doyle at rdoyle@frostburg.edu.

Health Benefits Fair

Stop by the Health Benefits Fair on **Tuesday, Oct. 7**, from 9 a.m. to noon in Lane Manicur Hall. Plan representatives will be available to answer employee questions and concerns.

An info session given by the Department of Budget and Management will be held at 10 a.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). During this session, employees will have the opportunity to learn about plan design changes, options available for discontinued medical and dental plans and other highlights for the upcoming plan year, including the new Wellness Program.

Healthcare vendors will share info about health services available in the community. Body fat measurement, flexibility assessment, heart rate and blood pressure screenings will be conducted by students from FSU’s Health and Human Performance Lab. Students from the Massage Therapy program at Allegany College of Maryland will also be on site to provide seated massages for employees on a first-come, first-served basis. Giveaways and door prizes will be available.

For info, contact Lee Ann Nightingale, benefits manager, at 301-687-4398.

National Depression Screening Day

When changes in mood and behavior are long-term and interfere with one’s ability to work, sleep, eat and enjoy activities, it could be a sign of depression. National Depression Screening Day gives students the opportunity to complete a free questionnaire assessing their risk for mood and anxiety disorders and receive immediate feedback from clinicians in the FSU Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) office. CAPS will administer screenings on **Thursday, Oct. 9**, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Lane upstairs lobby. For info, contact Patricia Robison at 301-687-4234.

State, City and FSU Celebrate Community of Brownsville With Dedication Ceremony



In this historical photo, residents of Brownsville stand outside the John Wesley A.M.E. Church, built in 1885, which stood at the corner of Oak and Maple streets on what is now the FSU campus.

To pay homage to an important piece of Frostburg’s history, the state of Maryland and the city of Frostburg proclaimed **Saturday, Oct. 11, 2014**, as a day to honor Brownsville, the African-American community that existed where FSU now stands. FSU will host a dedication ceremony in recognition of Brownsville on **Oct. 11** at 1 p.m. on the Upper Quad of the FSU campus. The event is free and open to the public.

Determined to give the African-American children of Frostburg an education, Tamar Brown, a woman who was freed from slavery after the Civil War, purchased a lot in 1866 and had a one-room schoolhouse built on it. The school, which came to be known as Lincoln School, served as a magnet for the African-American families of Frostburg, and the community that grew around it came to be known as Brownsville in her honor.

Lynn Bowman, author of “Being Black in Brownsville,” a history of the Brownsville community; Frostburg city officials; and descendants of the community’s original families will speak at the event. FSU student tour guides will provide guided tours of the area.

Bowman’s book on Brownsville will be available for purchase and all funds raised will be donated to the Bernard Wynder Legacy Fund, which provides funding for the FSU Diversity Center’s initiatives.

For info, contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at 301-687-4293 or abranam@frostburg.edu.

Annual Diversity Retreat

The 16th Annual Diversity Retreat will be held from 4 p.m. **Friday, Oct. 24**, through 1 p.m. **Sunday, Oct. 26**. Offered by the Black Student Alliance, the Student Government Association, the Diversity Center and the President’s Advisory Council on

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, this year’s theme is “Building Community: One for All/All for One.” The retreat will include workshops on diversity and other related activities intended to promote student awareness and empowerment in diversity issues, coalition building and social justice.

Participants are challenged and empowered to explore their experiences and feelings about their own groups as well as the groups to which others belong. Skill training and action planning are included so that the participants return to campus prepared to become part of the work of creating and maintaining a warm, welcoming environment at FSU.

Former participants are welcome; however, the participation of new students is strongly encouraged. This is an excellent opportunity to spend quality time with students from various identity groups to develop relationships and understandings that reach beyond the surface.

Applications will be available in the Diversity Center, in Hitchins 126, **Oct. 1 through 10**. All completed applications must be submitted by **Oct. 10**. Participation is limited and there is a selection process based on info provided in the application. Applicants are advised to submit a thoughtful response to the paragraph prompt. Those selected to participate will be required to complete additional forms to confirm their commitment to attend and participate.

All faculty and staff members are encouraged to promote this program to their students and consider making participation in this retreat an option for class assignments, as appropriate.

For info, contact Robin Wynder at 301-687-4050.

FSU Nothing But Nets Campaign Aims to Help Wipe Out Malaria in Africa

This is the final year of a three-year Nothing But Nets commitment at FSU to help defeat malaria in Africa. This year’s campaign will run **through October**.

Malaria is preventable and treatable. Just \$10 buys a net that can sleep four people and protect them. In Rwanda alone, after bed nets and medication were distributed, the under-five child mortality rate decreased by 66 percent within two years.

Talk to your group(s) or department about participation (e.g., hold a fundraiser or take a member collection). Money is due by **Friday, Oct. 31**, to Chaplain Cindy Zirlott’s office in Hitchins 308. All groups and departments that participate will appear in The Bottom Line with the report of FSU’s efforts.

FSU Offers Health and Human Performance Lab

The Health and Human Performance Lab featuring body fat testing, flexibility testing, cardiovascular testing, blood pressure screenings and more is free for faculty, staff and students. The lab is in room 110 of the Cordts PE Center. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesdays. Fridays and weekends are by appointment only. For info, contact Dr. Melody Kentrus, the lab director, at 301-6874415 or mhkentrus@frostburg.edu, or Tonnisha Rodgers at tmrodgers02@frostburg.edu.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It’s not too early to think about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Saturday, Dec. 20**, at 2 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center.

The Colleges of Business, Education and Liberal Arts and Sciences will present their graduates during a single ceremony. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined at a later date, based on how many students are graduating.

Complete your graduation application in PAWS now and check that your mailing address is accurate so you’ll receive all the necessary upcoming info.

Get Involved

S.A.F.E. Office & BURG Peer Education Network Activities



Bobby Petrocelli, Thursday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m., Lane Manicur Hall. This will be Petrocelli’s 13th appearance at FSU. More than an impaired-driving education event, his program teaches students that 10 seconds can change a life forever.

The Girls’ Room, Monday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room (232). This interactive workshop, complete with tips, demonstrations, and more, empowers college-aged female students with the tools they need to be successful in making a move toward a healthier lifestyle.

Upcoming UCM Events

For info, contact the Rev. Dr. Cindy Zirlott in Hitchins 308, or at 301-687-7490 or c.zirlott@frostburg.edu.

United Campus Ministry events and programs are open to all members of the FSU Community.

Weekly Campus Ministry Opportunities

Salvation and Praise Bible Study, Mondays, 7 p.m., Lane 108. This is a student-led Bible study group.

Spiritual Study Break – A Contemporary Vesper Worship Experience, Wednesdays, 9 p.m., Lane 108. If interested in joining the Praise team, contact UCM for practice times.

UCM Dance Ministry Practice, Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m., Cook Chapel.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Thursdays, 8:15 to 9:30 p.m., Cordts PE Center, Hall of Fame Room. This is a student-led Bible study.

Finding True North Bible Study, Sundays, 6:45 to 9 p.m., Library 237. This is a “Bible Meets Life” study and discussion group.

Faculty and Staff Reading Group. A reading/discussion group for faculty and staff will be offered again this year. More info will follow about the books, dates and time.

Deadlines

Undergraduate Grade Changes

The last day for undergraduate grade changes, including removal of incomplete grades for the spring and summer 2014 semesters, is **Tuesday, Oct. 14**.

Activities for Life

For info and registration, contact AFL coordinator Amy Nazelrod at 301-687-7934 or anazelrod@frostburg.edu.

Youth Swimming Lessons

Youth swimming lessons for children ages 4 to 13 will be offered **Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct. 13 through 29**, from 6:40 to 7:30 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center swimming pool.

Youth swimming instruction is separated into skill levels based on the child’s swimming ability when enrolling in the class.

Water Aerobics

Water aerobics will be offered **Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 14 through Nov. 13**, from 6:40 to 7:30 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center swimming pool. Participants may register for the Tuesday or Thursday class, or both nights for a discounted price.

Creative Movement Class

A Creative Movement class for children ages 3 to 5 years, as well as a Creative Movement II class for children ages 6 to 8, will be offered **Wednesdays, Oct. 22 through Nov. 19 and Dec. 3**. Classes will be held in room 106 of the Cordts PE Center.

The Creative Movement class for ages 3 to 5 will be from 5:15 to 6 p.m. and will introduce children to dance and movement. The class for ages 6 to 8 will follow from 6:15 to 7 p.m. and will emphasize the use of rhythm, space and awareness of movement.

Space is limited to 12 students for each class.

“Move It and Lose It” Classes

“Move It and Lose It” classes for ages 16 and older will be offered **Wednesdays, Oct. 22 through Nov. 19 and Dec. 3**, from 7:15 to 8 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center Dance Studio, room 106.

“Move It and Lose It” allows participants to exercise, lose weight and still have fun by dancing to popular music.

Study Abroad

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



Devin Francillon in Morocco (fall 2013)

The Center for International Education offers various ways for FSU students to see the world. In some cases, students can pay FSU tuition, room and board and study for a semester or a year in Ireland, England, Spain, France, China, Italy, Australia, Peru, South Africa or in many other countries. FSU also offers summer study abroad programs. Financial aid, student loans and scholarships can help fund a study abroad experience. For info on programs or scholarships, visit the Fuller House (across the street from the Braddock House), call 301-687-4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu. Also, check out the CIE website at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm.

Northumbria University, England, Spring 2015

Students can study in England for a semester or a full year. Tuition and fees are paid to FSU while room and board are paid to Northumbria University. Courses will transfer back to FSU with prior approval. Check out the university at www.northumbria.ac.uk.

Brazil, Summer 2015

The College of Business Global Experiential Learning Program will sponsor a study abroad trip to Brazil **June 1 through 10, 2015**. Students will visit Rio De Janeiro and Sao Paulo. Trip activities will introduce students to the splendor of Brazil’s culture and history, its growth and opportunity, and the challenges of economic development in more rural areas.

Students will earn 3 credits by taking one of a number of courses that will be taught online in the first summer session. The cost is \$4,675 plus summer tuition and fees. Students from all majors are welcome.

For info, contact Dr. Jeff McClellan at 301-687-4372 or Dr. Carol Gaumer at 301-687-4052.

New Zealand, Summer 2015

Led by FSU faculty from the College of Education, this three-and-a-half-week experiential program will examine resource conservation and the natural, and related social, history of New Zealand’s South Island. Students will travel to many of the stunning national parks, forests, wildlife reserves and coastlines of New Zealand to learn from local experts and practitioners, government officials, iwi (Māori tribes) and scientific research bodies.

Students will earn 3 credits. The dates are **May 23 through June 17, 2015.**

An info session will be held on **Wednesday, Oct. 22**, at 5 p.m. in Lane 111. Check out the Facebook page at facebook.com/FrostburgNewZealandStudyAbroad or www.BobcatsDownUnder.org.

For info, contact Dr. Natalia Buta at nbuta@frostburg.edu.

Student Life

It’s Not Too Early to Start Looking for Housing for 2015-16!

Edgewood Commons has availability for the 2015-16 academic year! All the info about Edgewood Commons is available at www.edgewoodFSU.com.

Apartments come fully furnished and have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms.

Utilities (gas, electricity, water, Internet and cable) are included in the contract fee.

For info or to set up a tour of Edgewood Commons, call 301-689-1370.

FSU Events Calendar

For info on FSU events, go to <http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar>.

Questions? Call 301-687-4411. All information is subject to change.

Note: FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. To request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, call 301-687-4102 or use a Voice Relay Operator at 1-800-735-2258.

**Everyone should have some basic supplies on hand to survive
for at least three days if an emergency occurs.**



**For a list of some basic items that every emergency supply kit
should include, go to www.ready.gov/build-a-kit.**

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Frostburg State University is a student-centered teaching and learning institution featuring experiential opportunities. The University offers students a distinctive and distinguished baccalaureate education along with a select set of applied master’s and doctoral programs. Frostburg serves regional and statewide economic and workforce development; promotes cultural enrichment, civic responsibility and sustainability; and prepares future leaders to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

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- 1. Enhance experiential and applied learning opportunities for students both inside and outside the classroom.
- 2. Improve facilities so that students live and learn in a modern and technologically sophisticated environment.
- 3. Increase student quality and improve student persistence to graduation.

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