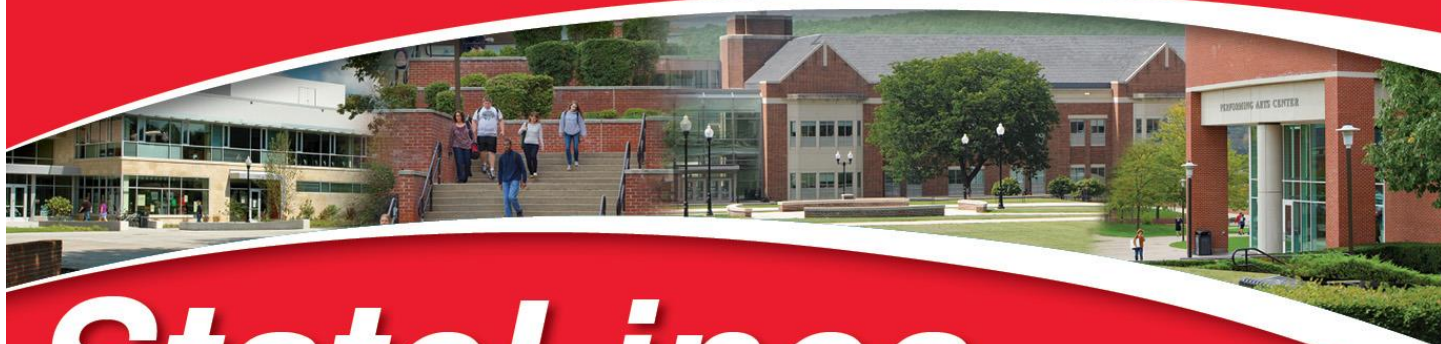




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Former President Gira Joins Board of J. Glenn Beall Institute for Public Affairs at Important Moment in U.S. History



Before retiring as president of FSU in 2006, **Dr. Catherine Gira** signed two agreements between the FSU Foundation, Inc., and former U.S. Senator J. Glenn Beall, Jr. The first, in 2001, established the J. Glenn Beall Archives in FSU's Lewis J. Ort University Library.

The second agreement, in 2003, created Frostburg's J. Glenn Beall, Jr. Institute for Public Affairs, which has become increasingly relevant during the historically unprecedented 2016 presidential election.

Gira recently joined the Board of Directors for the Institute, and she received a summary of its efforts over the past decade to fulfill Beall's vision of inspiring citizen participation and exposing students to public service.

"The Institute has accomplished a great deal, even beyond what any of us could have imagined. ... When I look at the people who have been brought in as speakers, the opportunities that the interns have had to be placed on Capitol Hill as well as in Annapolis, with both Democratic and Republican party representatives, all of it has been very exciting," Gira said.

Without Gira, the Institute itself might not exist. Beall originally proposed a scholarship to get young people involved in government and public service. Gira suggested instead a nonpartisan institute for public affairs, using Beall's contacts in Washington and Annapolis to create a student internship program, outreach programs and more.

Since its 2005 dedication, the institute has hosted several elected officials at campus events. It has also placed nearly 50 FSU students with Maryland and U.S. lawmakers as "Beall Interns." Placements are divided as evenly as possible between Republican and Democratic representatives – a nonpartisan balance Gira said was intentional from the start.

That message has resonated during the divisive 2016 election cycle. In the fall of 2015, the Beall Institute partnered with FSU's Student Affairs Division and Office of Civic Engagement to promote democratic participation among students, including a campus-wide voter registration drive.

Election-related programming began with three Town Hall Meetings last fall, where students met with local and state elected officials to discuss various issues and potential solutions. Three additional Town Hall Meetings were held in the spring. The series culminated with a Caucus Night shortly before Maryland's primaries, where students experienced an Iowa-style caucus, debating candidates' merits before voting with their feet.

Programming this fall included another series of Town Hall Meetings, beginning with discussions of domestic issues and foreign policy during the first two meetings, and concluding with a Mock Election Night to be held on **Tuesday, Nov. 1**. The institute has also co-sponsored a Debate Viewing series, where students gather to watch each presidential debate with political science faculty before discussing the debate outcomes as a group. The institute will host a similar event on **Tuesday, Nov. 8**, for students to view coverage of the 2016 Election Night as the ballots are counted and discuss the results as a group.

For info on the Beall Institute, contact Magrath at tmagrath@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4080 or visit www.frostburg.edu/dept/posc/the-beall-institute-for-public-affairs.

Theatre

CES to Present Department of Theatre and Dance in ‘James and the Giant Peach Jr.’



CES at FSU will present FSU’s Department of Theatre and Dance in “James and the Giant Peach Jr.” on **Wednesday, Nov. 2**, at 4:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

Based on Roald Dahl’s classic book, “James and the Giant Peach Jr.” is the imaginative tale of a boy, his insect friends and their amazing journey across the ocean aboard a giant piece of fruit. Join James as he discovers a magic spell that launches him on a voyage of enormous proportions. Along with a group of human-sized insects with equally oversized personalities, James faces hunger, disagreements and sharks in an overseas adventure that brings him to a marvelous new world.

Tickets for adults and children are \$7. Member and group discount rates are also available.

For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES’ webpage at <http://ces.frostburg.edu>.

Tickets are also available for school groups wishing to see the performance as part of CES’ Arts for the School Day program. Four school-day performances will be held – **Nov. 2** at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., and **Nov. 3 and 4** at 10 a.m. The hour-long musical is especially recommended for grades 1 through 6. Contact cesoutreach@frostburg.edu for tickets.

“James and the Giant Peach Jr.” is presented through a special arrangement with Musical Theatre International.

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 301-687-4109.

Prokofiev Guitar Duo in Guest Artist Series Concert



World Artists Experiences, in partnership with the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia, will present the Prokofiev Guitar Duo in a Guest Artist Series performance on **Tuesday, Oct. 25**, at 7:30 p.m. The recital is free; donations to WAE are appreciated.

Mak Grgic and Nejc Kuhar, both former students of the revered guitar master Alvaro Pierri at the University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna, now live on opposite sides of the world. Grgic, who is on the faculty at Mount Saint Mary’s University in Los Angeles, curates festivals in the U.S. and Europe as well as performs. Kuhar, also an active performer, is a professor at the Vienna Music Academy and Frankfurt Music School. The two perform together as the Prokofiev Guitar Duo, a collaboration they established during their time in Vienna. The duo is returning to the Washington, D.C., area with a program consisting of original music, intricate arrangements and Spanish classics.

Jazz Studies Program Presents First Annual Evening of Jazz

FSU’s Jazz Studies program will present its first annual Evening of Jazz on **Saturday, Oct. 29**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The program will feature the Jazz Combo, Vocal Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Orchestra, all student ensembles. Doors will open at 7 p.m.

The program will open with the FSU Jazz Combo, led by director **Tom Harrison**. They will perform Thelonious Monk’s composition, “I Mean You,” and other jazz fusion classics. Jazz combo is made up of students **Wesley Mason**, violin; **Mirto Dorcil**, piano; **Corey Snowden**, **Grant Stryckning** and **Daniel Bedwell**, guitars; and **Matthew Heverly**, drum set.

Under the direction of **Dr. James Reddan**, the FSU Vocal Jazz Ensemble will perform a variety of music composed and arranged for vocal ensemble and rhythm section. Tunes will include the big band classic, “Tuxedo Junction,” made famous by the Glenn Miller Orchestra, as arranged by Kirby Shaw; Manhattan Transfer’s version of the doo-wop standard, “Boy From New York City”; and the original modern work “Words” by The Real Group.

FSU’s Jazz Orchestra, directed by **Dr. Brent Weber**, will present selections with a rock, funk and fusion twist. Their program will include the 1962 Herbie Hancock funk original, “Watermelon Man,” as arranged by Bob Lowden; “City” by jazz fusion pioneer Jeff Lorber; Buddy Rich’s version of The Doors’ “Soul Kitchen”; and a selection from the current fusion jazz group Snarky Puppy.

CES’ On the EDGE Series to Host Step Dance Group Molodi Live



CES at FSU will present the electrifying step dancers of Molodi Live in its next On the EDGE series performance. The show will take place on **Thursday, Nov. 10**, at 8:15 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

Using only their bodies as instruments, Molodi combines collegiate stepping, tap, gumboots, beatbox and poetry with guerrilla theatre. Interactive rhythms and crowd participation bridge the gap between the artists and the audience, who become essential participants in the performance. According to The Villager, “The soulful and energetically intense performance ... leaves the audiences in awe of their abilities to blend the traditional percussive dance forms.”

The On the EDGE series is an exciting club series presented as a collaboration between CES at FSU and FSU Student Activities. The series features cutting-edge performers who stretch the boundaries of their art forms. Patrons enjoy informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.

On the EDGE tickets are \$15 and may be ordered by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137 or by visiting CES' webpage at <http://ces.frostburg.edu>.

Exhibits

Unless otherwise noted, exhibits will take place in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797. Hours for the Roper Gallery are Sundays through Fridays from noon to 4 p.m.

‘Speaking OUT: Queer Youth in Focus’ by Rachelle Lee Smith



FSU's Department of Visual Arts and the African American Studies Program will present "Speaking OUT: Queer Youth in Focus," an exhibit by Rachelle Lee Smith, **Thursday, Nov. 3, through Wednesday, Nov. 16**. An opening reception and talk by the artist will be held **Monday, Nov. 7**, at 7 p.m. in Fine Arts 132.

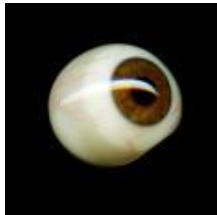
"Speaking OUT: Queer Youth in Focus" is a photographic essay that collectively explores a wide spectrum of experiences told from the perspective of a diverse group of youth ages 14 to 24 who identify as queer (i.e., lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning). Portraits are presented without judgment and/or stereotype by eliminating environmental influence with a stark white backdrop. This backdrop acts as a blank canvas to be filled with the each subject's point of view handwritten onto the final print. With more than 65 portraits photographed over 10 years beginning in 2001, "Speaking OUT" provides a rare insight into the ever-evolving passions, confusions, prejudices, fulfillment, joys and sorrows voiced by queer youth.

Smith is an award-winning, nationally and internationally shown and published photographer who has spent the majority of her career taking photographs with a passion to share experiences. Although the subject matter varies, her innate vision to capture the life and energy of a scene takes precedence in every image.

This exhibit is sponsored by the Women's Studies Program, an FSU Opportunity Grant, a Faculty Development and Sabbatical Committee Workshop/Speaker grant, SPECTRUM, PRIDE at Allegany College of Maryland, the African American Student Society and the FSU Center for Student Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

For info, visit <http://rachelleleesmith.com/speakingout> or contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at abranam@frostburg.edu.

‘Keep an Eye On’ Exhibit to Continue Through Oct. 30



FSU's Department of Visual Arts will host "Keep an Eye On," an exhibit by Robert Ladislav Derr, who translates the world around him through visual manifestations that leave viewers with a sideways glance, through **Sunday, Oct. 30**.

For Derr, life is a performance that sets the stage for his making. The "Keep an Eye On" collection includes digital prints of eyes varying in shape, size and color.

Derr's work has been featured in exhibits around the world. His awards include the Urbana Public Arts Commission, Lower Manhattan Cultural Council and Ohio Arts Council. Loyola University Museum of Art, Miami-Dade Public Library and Indiana University Art Museum are a few locations that permanently hold and display his work. Derr is director of the School of Art, Art History and Design, and professor of art at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

For info, visit <http://home1.arts.ohio-state.edu/derr34/>.

Presentations

Fall Philosophical Forum on Existentialism



A Fall Philosophical Forum featuring a discussion of existentialism and the project of "who you are" is being hosted by FSU's Department of Philosophy on **Tuesday, Oct. 25**, at 7 p.m., in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). Members of the campus and local community are invited to join the conversation with Dr. David R. Cerbone, professor of philosophy at West Virginia University.

Cerbone's presentation, "On Trying (and Failing) to Become Who You Are: Rabbi Zusya's 'Query of Queries' as a Pathway to Existentialism," will be an extended reflection on a parable from Hasidic Judaism ascribed to Rabbi Zusya of Hanipol. This parable raises deep and difficult questions about the project of becoming "who you are." Zusya's query makes listeners feel called upon individually to take up that project and challenges the conceit that we have at any point succeeded in that task. Cerbone will make connections to the ideas and work of Kierkegaard, Heidegger, Beauvoir and Sartre.

Cerbone's individual, ongoing research focuses on the phenomenological tradition and Wittgenstein and early analytic philosophy. He is also the author of "Understanding Phenomenology," "Heidegger: A Guide for the Perplexed" and "Existentialism: All that Matters."

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

Academic Enrichment Series

Dr. Terri Massie-Burrell, assistant provost, Student Success, Center for Academic Advising and Retention, will give a presentation, “Withdraw With a ‘W’” on **Tuesday, Oct. 25**, and **Thursday, Oct. 27**. Both sessions will be held from 2 to 2:50 p.m. in Lane 108. To withdraw from a class or not to withdraw from a class ... is a “W” right for you? Find out by speaking with staff from CAAR, Financial Aid and the Academic Success Network.

Christie Bohn, administrative assistant, Special Academic Services; **Travis Hitchins**, accounting clerk, University and Student Billing; and Massie-Burrell will present “Make Intercession Count” on **Wednesday, Oct. 26**, from 1 to 1:50 p.m. and **Friday, Oct. 28**, from noon to 12:50 p.m. (bring your lunch!). Both sessions will be held in Lane 113. Would you like to accelerate your progress toward your degree? You can earn credits wherever you are this January. Learn how to get ahead!

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

Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Joel Moore, Towson University, will present “Sources of Elevated Specific Conductance, Major Ions and Dissolved Inorganic Carbon in Urban Streams” on **Thursday, Oct. 27**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule.

Workshops

Dating Violence Is Real



One in three women and one in four men will experience relationship violence in their lifetime. On **Thursday, Oct. 27**, beginning at 7 p.m. in Gira Center 397, #Relationship Goals will host the One Love Foundation’s Escalation workshop. This student-led event includes the screening of a powerful feature film followed by a meaningful discussion about relationship violence, recognizing the warning signs and what everyone can do to change these statistics.

For info, contact Emily Caputo, Title IX and University Compliance coordinator, at ejcaputo@frostburg.edu.

Film

Fall Palace Film Series ‘Projecting the Election’ Continues

The historic Palace Theatre’s Fall Film Series, “Projecting the Election: Hollywood Goes to Washington,” brings drama, history and comedy to the upcoming election season. WFWM 91.9 FM is sponsoring the series.

Frank Capra directed 1948’s “State of the Union” that will be shown on **Nov. 21**. Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn star in this Beltway comedy.

Doors open at 7 p.m. with show times at 7:30 p.m. For info, call 301-689-5605 or refer to the Palace’s website at www.frostburgpalace.org.

Points of Pride

Gov. Larry Hogan Meets With Small Business Owners at FSU



Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan was on campus on Friday, Oct. 14, for a meeting with small business owners who were learning about the state’s procurement program. Following the event, he was photographed with College of Business students who were chosen by their faculty to attend the event. From left are **Abi Olojo**, **Bethany Magliddt**, **Hannah Llewellyn**, **Amanda Clay**, Hogan, **Kiersten Butler**, **Kayla Bradley**, **Silvia Eusuf** and **John Poole III**. (Photo credit: Executive Office of the Governor)

FSU-TV3 Students Go Live and on Location to Cover Frostburg Events



FSU TV-3 public relations manager and student **Cesi Taboada**, center, holds a Samsung Galaxy S7 phone her team uses to broadcast live at events for #TV3onLoc. The team includes, from left, **Derrick Leftwich**, **Abbey Rigney**, **Taboada** and **Dominique Elias**.

When you see students from FSU-TV3 covering a live event, you won’t see a satellite truck or a hulking TV camera over their shoulders.

Armed with a Samsung Galaxy S7 Edge, a lavalier microphone and determination, a small crew from the student-managed TV channel is venturing out to chat with people at Frostburg events. The interviews are edited on the spot and posted immediately on TV3’s social network profiles.

It’s part of an initiative to tell TV3 viewers and social media fans about what’s happening right now in Frostburg. The idea was the brainchild of senior student **Cesi Taboada** of Bowie, who is the public relations manager for TV3. Using her own phone and own microphone made specifically for smartphones, she wanted to elevate the TV channel’s reputation and coverage.

The coverage increases awareness about TV3 and the events the students cover.

Field producer **Abbey Rigney** of Hampstead, a mass communication major and audio and video production minor, along with **Derrick Leftwich**, pitch in operating the camera and are field producers for the student-run “The Frostburg Experience” on TV3, where they also hope to reuse some of the event footage.

To tie the live and on-location concept together, the team came up with the hashtag #TV3onLoc to brand the experience – a nod to being both “on location” and “on lock,” or under control. The posts can be found on Twitter and Instagram @fsutv3 and at <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3>.

Already the team has covered Cruisin’ Main Street, the Block Party and Frostburg 101: Taste of the Town. The crew broadcasts on Facebook Live at the Appalachian Festival and expects to use a mixture of recorded and live broadcasts in the future.

How does the magic happen? Behind the scenes, Taboada edits the recorded interviews on her Samsung phone using Samsung Video Editor, uploading clips to various social networks on the spot. The crew constantly discusses different camera angles to use with the phone for variety, how to resolve audio and lighting issues and how to improve the end product.

In front of the camera, **Dominique Elias**, a Silver Spring resident who would love to work for E! one day, brings energy, talking to anyone from festival organizers, vendors and everyday people navigating the events. The programming helps build on what’s being taught in the classroom, added Elias, a mass communication major and public relations minor.

The Best Master’s Degrees Lists FSU’s Online MBA Among Top One-Year Online Master’s Programs



The Best Master’s Degrees, an online organization that provides rankings and profiles of degree programs in the most common master’s degree areas, recently ranked FSU’s online MBA program among the top five most affordable online MBAs in the nation for 2016 among one-year online master’s programs.

For this ranking, The Best Master’s Degrees focused on the types of degrees that are conducive to accelerated study and feature curricula that one could reasonably complete in 12 months or fewer.

To decide which schools to include, The Best Master’s Degrees looked at value, affordability and “timeline confidence,” the clarity and assertiveness with which the college promotes a one-year completion guarantee. If applicable, the company also limited eligible programs to those that have accreditation in the appropriate area. In the case of the online MBA, accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, AACSB International, was required.

In its description of FSU’s AACSB-accredited online MBA program, The Best Master’s Degrees noted that applicants to the program will have the best chance of finishing their degree in one year if they have a bachelor’s in business administration so they can waive the prerequisite “essentials” courses and are able to attend full time. The program requires 36 credits for completion of the degree without the prerequisites, and tuition is estimated at \$10,215 per year.

For info about The Best Master’s Degrees’ top 10 one-year online master’s programs of 2016, go to www.bestmastersdegrees.com/top/one-year-online-masters-programs.

Take Note

The Clothesline Project – Come Design a Shirt!



As part of FSU’s programs for Domestic/Dating Violence Awareness Month, the Social Work Alliance and Alpha Sigma Tau sorority are organizing a campus Clothesline Project. The Clothesline Project is a national movement that was created to bring greater awareness to the issues surrounding relationship violence and sexual assault. T-shirts are decorated by survivors and those who support and care for them. The shirts are then displayed on clotheslines as a tribute to their hope and healing. The alliance and sorority will set up tables in the Lane University Center on **Monday, Oct. 24, Tuesday, Oct. 25, and Thursday, Oct. 27**, for faculty, staff and students who wish to contribute by designing a shirt. The entire clothesline will be on display **the week of Oct. 31**. For info, contact Emily Caputo, Title IX and University Compliance coordinator, at ejcaputo@frostburg.edu.

Town Hall Meeting and Mock Election

Student & Community Involvement’s Office of Civic Engagement and the J. Glenn Beall Institute for Public Affairs will host their final Town Hall meeting of the semester on **Tuesday, Nov. 1**, at 6 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). Join the group for a discussion of the presidential candidates and a mock election. For info, contact Patrick O’Brien at pobrien@frostburg.edu.

Required Online Training Reminder – ‘Think About It’



All FSU students are asked to complete “Think About It,” a 45-minute online program discussing the critical issues associated with gender-based harassment and violence.

The Continuing Student Program deadline is **Thursday, Nov. 3**.

All students, including part-time, full-time, undergraduate, graduate, professional and online, and at all FSU campuses, are to complete this program by their specified deadline. It is the University’s responsibility as required by federal law to ensure all FSU students are provided this training. Check your FSU student email account for details.

Election Night Coverage

Come watch the election unfold across the country on **Tuesday, Nov. 8**, beginning at 7 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The election will be projected on the big screen. Activities will include a democracy plaza, mock ballots and more. For info, contact Patrick O'Brien at pobrien@frostburg.edu.

Students Wanted for Sloop Institute



Each year, select sophomores and juniors are invited to partake in an exclusive event that allows them to forge beneficial mentoring relationships with FSU faculty, staff and alumni. The Sloop Institute for Excellence in Leadership gives students an opportunity to learn from one another, build important relationships and refine their leadership skills. This year, the Sloop Institute will be held at FSU on **Saturday, March 4, 2017**.

The top 40 students from FSU are given the opportunity to attend this day-long conference, and you may be one of them! Students who wish to apply to the institute should complete, print and sign the application and release forms found on the Sloop webpage at www.frostburg.edu/clife/leadership/sloop-institute. (Attach a separate document if you need more space.) Applications should be submitted to the Office of Leadership and Experiential Learning at leadership@frostburg.edu or dropped off at the second floor of the Braddock House between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Applications are due by **Friday, Nov. 18**. The Office of Leadership and Experiential Learning will have a table in the Lane Center on **Oct. 25, 27 and 31** and on **Nov. 15** from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and on **Nov. 2 and 16** from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Stop by and fill out an application!

Strategic Planning Process Initiated



FSU's strategic planning process was initiated with a two-day workshop of the Strategic Planning Task Force, led by Dr. Pat Sanaghan, in which the task force learned about and participated in some of the interactive techniques that will be used to gather data and solicit ideas from the campus community and other stakeholders. Sanaghan is the head of The Sanaghan Group, an organizational firm specializing in leadership development, executive coaching, strategic planning, and leadership transitions

Over the next two months, task force members will engage with these stakeholders, and a website will be set up to share the data gathered. Members of the task force are listed at [www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/](http://www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/Administration/president/StrategicPlanningUpdate-Oct142016.pdf)

[File/Administration/president/StrategicPlanningUpdate-Oct142016.pdf](http://www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/Administration/president/StrategicPlanningUpdate-Oct142016.pdf). The illustration on the left is a Word Cloud that was based on the feedback from the task force at the end of the workshop.

Honors Program Introduces New Course on Global Sustainability



This week, the FSU Honors Program will introduce the third of its new upper-level seminar courses for the spring 2017 semester. IDIS 491/HIST 490 The History of Global Sustainability is designed to be a unique and fascinating look into the history and evolution of sustainability in human society. The course will critically and analytically examine the concept of global sustainability from a wide range of perspectives. Topics will include environmental justice, capitalism and colonialism. Students in this course will develop their research, critical analysis and presentation skills. The History of Global Sustainability is an opportunity to earn Honors credit while uncovering the story behind one of the most hotly debated topics in modern culture.

The seminar will be led by **Dr. Natalie Schuster**, a lecturer in the Department of History.

For info, contact the FSU Honors Program at honorsprog@frostburg.edu.

Bernard Wynder Legacy Fund to Receive Proceeds From 'Being Black in Brownsville'



Professor Lynn Bowman has earmarked proceeds from the third edition of "Being Black in Brownsville: Echoes of a Forgotten Frostburg" for the Bernard Wynder Legacy Fund. This fund is dedicated to supporting FSU's Diversity Center's initiatives, including programs and excursions.

Bowman's book weaves together the histories of Frostburg and Brownsville, a community that began in 1866 with Tamar Brown's purchase of land on what is now FSU's Upper Quad. This edition was issued in conjunction with the celebration of the state of Maryland's and the city of Frostburg's proclamations of Oct. 11, 2014, as "Brownsville Recognition Day."

If interested in purchasing a copy, contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at abranam@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4293. The cost is \$15 per copy, and there is a limited supply.

Upcoming BURG Events

BURG events for the week are:

- **Alcohol Program, Thursday, Oct. 27,** 7 to 8 p.m., Lane 113
- **General Body Meeting, Thursday, Oct. 27,** 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gira Center 156

For info, contact Armand Jackson at adjackson02@frostburg.edu or visit www.burgpeereducationnetwork.com.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It’s not too early to be thinking about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Tuesday, Dec. 20**, in the Cordts PE Center.

The Colleges – Liberal Arts and Sciences, Business and Education – will all present their graduates at 2 p.m. **Tickets will be required for admission. Each graduating student will receive five tickets.**

Full details about tickets and the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement.

If you haven’t yet done so, contact the Registrar’s Office to complete your graduation application. Also, check that your home mailing address is accurate in PAWS so you’ll receive all the necessary upcoming info.

Follow [@FrostburgGrad](#) on Twitter or <https://www.facebook.com/FrostburgGraduation> on Facebook for updates and important info throughout the semester.

For info, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or clbohn@frostburg.edu.

Deadlines

TurboVote Makes Voting Easy!


The absentee ballot deadline is **Tuesday, Nov. 1**. Visit <https://frostburg.turbovote.org> for all your voting needs.

FSU-TV3



FSU-TV3 and ‘Frostburg Experience’ to Produce Election Special

FSU-TV3 and “The Frostburg Experience” will produce an election special on **Wednesday, Oct. 26**, featuring student representatives of the two major party candidates. Post your questions to the representatives at the top of the FSU-TV3 Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3> #fsutv3election.



Connect With FSU-TV3

Connect with FSU-TV3 and see what other activities are going on at FSU with the channel’s social media sites.


Jobs

RA Applications Available

For any students interested in helping their peers make a lasting connection to this University, consider applying for a resident assistant position! Applications are available on the Residence Life Bobcat Connect page. All application materials and reference forms are due by **Tuesday, Nov. 1**. Residence Hall and Edgewood Commons info sessions will be held **Monday, Oct. 24, through Saturday, Oct. 29**.

Volunteers

Storybook Holiday Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet



Santa’s elves pose with Storybook Holiday participants.

Storybook Holiday will be held on **Saturday, Dec. 3**, in downtown Frostburg. There are multiple time slots for each job at Storybook Holiday; the volunteer slots are listed in chronological order. You will need to be at your job 30 minutes before the job starts to sign in. Include your name and email address so you can be contacted with information before the event, and text @sbh2016 to 81010 to receive text updates the day of the event. Your personal number will not be used for anything else, and it is not shared. When signing up, be sure your jobs do not overlap times.

Click here to volunteer: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdK-clJgeGpW69fPC1680oSJBBCqzErRBbEzvCi0nY8cnC0Q/viewform?usp=send_form.

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Contracting for Spring 2017

Edgewood Commons is accepting applications for the spring semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. 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. To set up a tour or find out more, call 301-689-1370.

Community

Celebrate Maryland Emancipation Day!



Come celebrate the 152nd anniversary of Maryland Emancipation Day with “Samuel Denson’s Last Run,” an interactive experience on the hill, in the tunnels and in the sanctuary of Emmanuel Episcopal Church (16 Washington St. in Cumberland) on **Sunday, Nov. 6**, at 7 p.m.

This event is a gift to the community from the Allegany College of Maryland NAACP Club, FSU’s African American Studies Program and its Department of Theatre and Dance, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, the Jane Gates Heritage House and a host of others.

For info, contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at abranam@frostburg.edu.

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.

Halloween Safety Tips for Pets



Don’t leave pets out in the yard on Halloween!

**And don’t forget to keep your outdoor cats inside several days before and after Halloween.
Black cats are especially at risk from pranks or other cruelty-related incidents.**

FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

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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