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GRAD SCHOOL PREP

Personal Statement Writing Workshop

Two Sessions Offered
3-6 p.m.
Sept. 25
Violette Hall 1010

2:30-5:30 p.m.
Sept. 26
Student Union Building
Down Under

Donald Asher, an internationally acclaimed author and speaker specializing in professional development and higher education, will help students write their own personal statements for graduate school applications.

Seventy-five seats are available for the Sept. 25 session, and 50 are offered Sept. 26. Pre-registration required. Go to career.truman.edu for more information.

How to Attend Graduate School for Free

6:30-7:30 p.m.
Sept. 25
Student Union Building
Activities Room

Come and listen to Donald Asher discuss ways to reduce the cost of graduate school and hear tips for better preparing for the future after graduation.

How to Prepare for Grad School (Underclassmen Only)

6-7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26
Student Union Building
Activities Room

Thinking about graduate school? Come and learn about how you should be preparing for your upcoming future.

Truman Receives Multiple No. 1 Rankings From US News & World Report

For the 16th year in a row, Truman State University has been recognized as the No. 1 Public Regional University in the Midwest. This recognition comes from the newly released U.S. News & World Report's 2013 edition of "Best Colleges." Truman is also ranked as No. 8 overall in the region among both private and public institutions that provide a full range of undergraduate and master's programs.

Truman was also given a No. 1 ranking in the "A Strong Commitment to Teaching" section and was one of only four schools in the Midwest region to be listed in this section. The University was also recognized at the No. 4 spot in the region in the "Great Schools at Great Prices" section. Truman is the only public school on this list and the only Missouri school among the 15 listed colleges.

This year's guidebook highlights other aspects of Truman that make the University unique. In the "A Focus on Student Success" section, Truman was recognized in both "Study Abroad" and "Undergraduate Research/Creative Projects." Truman is continuously recognized as being

one of the top master's universities with a high population of students studying abroad. Truman's undergraduate research program is well known for the fact large numbers of students are able to participate in research at the undergraduate level as opposed to waiting until graduate school. Inclusion in this section is based on nominations from college presidents, chief academic officers and deans of admissions. The schools with the most nominations were listed alphabetically.

U.S. News & World Report bases its regional rankings on peer assessment, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and alumni giving. Complete listings are available at www.usnews.com/colleges.

The U.S. News & World Report ranking is the latest recognition for Truman. In the Washington Monthly September/October 2012 magazine, Truman was recognized as the No. 6 master's university in the nation. Truman is the only Missouri school listed in the top 50 and the only public Missouri school on the entire Top 100 Master's Universities list.

Truman Theatre to Showcase "Rebel Voices"

Those interested in seeing America's vivid and tumultuous history brought to life are invited to attend the University Theatre Department's performance of "Rebel Voices" at 8 p.m. Sept. 26-29 in the James G. Severns Theatre, located in Ophelia Parish.

The play is based on the book "Voices of the People's History of the United States" written by Howard Zinn and Anthony Arnove. The book is a collection of speeches, letters and writings from both famous and little-known Americans whose work became major symbols of non-traditional thinking throughout the eras.

A cast of 10 Truman students will portray various American figures including well-known characters such as Helen Keller, the New York Mechanics, Susan B. Anthony, Tecumseh, Emma Goldman, Eugene Debs, Frederick Douglass and Bob Dylan.

Immediately following opening night Sept. 26 Rob Urbinati, the playwright, will host a question and answer session in the theatre. A reception with refreshments will be offered in the Ophelia Parrish lobby.

Tickets are available in the Ophelia Parrish Box Office, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Students Experience Nursing in the Philippines

Nine Truman nursing students will present “Transcultural Nursing Experience in the Philippines” at 7 p.m. Sept. 25 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

The presentation focuses on the students’ hands-on clinical experience and cultural immersion while spending three weeks studying abroad in the Philippines.

During the first half of the trip students work at the nonprofit government facility Jose R. Reyes Memorial Medical Center in Manila. There, they volunteer in areas such as labor and delivery, pediatric, intensive care, the emergency room and the operating room.

Students finish the program by traveling to Iloilo City, where they are paired with local nursing-student “buddies” from West Visayas State University. With their buddies, Truman nursing students participate in various clinical experiences such as visiting a leprosarium, a social hygiene clinic, a nursing home and conducting home visits in a village located just outside of Iloilo City.

Preparation for the trip began last spring. Students researched cultural practices and communicable diseases common in the country.

The presentation is open to the public and refreshments will be served.



Students from the Truman Nursing Department will discuss their clinical experiences while studying abroad in the Philippines during a presentation Sept. 25. Pictured, back row, left to right: Taylor Frymire, Caitlin Schaefer, Courtney McIntire, Maggie Scharnhorst, Tori Johnson and Emily Garlock. Front row, left to right: Jessica Greenwood, Briana Keller and Emily Fahey.

Global Issues Colloquium

7 p.m. • Sept. 20
Magruder Hall 2001

Phil Lutgendorf, professor of Hindi and modern Indian studies at the University of Iowa presents “Chai Why? The Making of the Indian ‘National Drink,’” an examination of the social affects of tea drinking on popular Indian culture.

Peace Corps Informational Session

The Peace Corps is currently seeking applicants from Truman to fill assignment areas in 2013.

Peace Corps volunteers help communities in need, gain valuable cross-cultural skills and become a citizen of the world.

Learn more and visit with a representative.

Information Table
Sept. 18

10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Student Union Building
Main Floor

Information Session
Sept. 18
6-8 p.m.
Baldwin Hall
Little Theater

New Bleachers Installed in Pershing Arena



New bleachers were installed in Pershing Arena over the summer. The process included removing the wooden bleachers and installing new benches and approximately 400 chair back seats. The remodel includes closer seating on the west side and additional seating on the north baseline. The project, funded by the Student Athletic Fee, began with the removal of the bleachers in late May. The former seats were installed in 1979 when the old arena court was shifted from an east/west alignment to its current north/south configuration. In addition to the bleachers, a new sound system and acoustics was installed during the summer to enhance the audio and game day presentation for Bulldog events.

ADVISORS NEEDED

The Center for Student Involvement is looking for faculty and staff members to serve as advisors for a number of student organizations that are either without a current advisor or whose advisor will be retiring soon. An interest form is available at csi.truman.edu/advisors.asp.

Career Center Open House

Sept. 21 • 3-5 p.m. • Student Union Building 3100
Come visit the Career Center to learn about its programs, events and services. Get free prizes and enter to win a \$50 gift card to the Truman Bookstore.

United Way Campaign Kicks Off on Campus

Truman's United Way Campaign began Sept. 13 with a goal of \$56,000. All faculty and staff members should have received information about the campaign through campus mail.

Individuals who did not receive campaign information, or have questions, may contact co-chairs Sally Herleth at sallydet@truman.edu or Pam Ryan at pjryan@truman.edu.

Donations support the United Way of Adair County, benefiting those in the area. The local United Way has among the lowest overhead in the nation. This allows a greater percentage of contributions to go straight to local programs that help people pursue the goals of education, income and health.



Pictured above, members of the Truman United Way campaign. Left to right: Sally Herleth, co-chair; Pam Ryan, co-chair; and University President Troy Paino.

Recent statistics show the United Way touches one out of three individuals in the area.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

AES Engineers will continue to provide \$500 scholarships to high school seniors or college students, regardless of courses being studied, who meet certain criteria. Scholarships are intended for future leaders across a wide spectrum of fields of study. Students must submit an essay in answer to one of the two questions that are posted online at aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm. Deadline for entry is Oct. 5.

HotelsCheap is offering a need based \$2,500 scholarship. To find out more about this scholarship, visit hotelscheap.org/scholarship. Deadline for entry is Oct. 15.

CableTV is taking haiku submissions to be entered for their \$1,000 scholarship. More information is available www.cabletv.com/scholarship. Deadline to enter is Oct. 31.

The Foreclosure.com 2012 Scholarship Program is available to currently enrolled undergraduate students. Students may go to foreclosure.com/scholarship to find out how to be entered to win one of five scholarships by writing an essay on stimulating the U.S. housing market. Top prize is \$5,000, second through fifth place will receive \$1,000 each. Deadline to enter is Dec. 1.

Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner				
Activity	Division	Deadline	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Kickball	Open	Sept. 25	Aug. 30	Sept. 29-30
Tennis (singles/doubles)	Greek/Org/Open	Oct. 3	—	Oct. 8
Bulldog 5K Run*	Greek/Org/Open	Oct. 20	—	Oct. 20
Indoor Soccer	Greek/Org/Open	Oct. 15	Oct. 9	Oct. 22
Co-Rec Indoor Soccer	Open	Oct. 15	Oct. 9	Oct. 22
Shootout Night	Open	Oct. 16	—	Oct. 22
Table Tennis Doubles	Greek/Org/Open	Oct. 24	—	Oct. 27
3v3 Indoor Basketball	Greek/Org/Open	Oct. 24	Oct. 9	Oct. 29
Pickleball Doubles	Greek/Org/Open	Oct. 31	—	Nov. 5
Texas Hold'em Poker	Open	Nov. 8	—	Nov. 12
Co-Rec Floor Hockey	Open	Nov. 16	Oct. 9	Nov. 28

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467. Captains' Meeting is at 4:30 p.m. in the SRC Conference Room. *Register through the Advancement Office, 205 McClain Hall.

Hispanic Heritage Month Events

Kick-Off Latin America Festival
3-5 p.m. • Sept. 17

"Sin Mapa" Documentary
Movie Screening
6:30-8 p.m. • Sept. 18
Student Union Building
Down Under

Latin Dance Lessons
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Sept. 20
Formal or dance shoes are
suggested.

Grupo Axé Capoeira Dance
Performance and Workshop
6:30-8 p.m. • Sept. 21

Latin Cup 3v3
Soccer Tournament
9 a.m.-5 p.m. • Sept. 22
\$20 for student teams, \$25 for non-
student teams, \$5 per individual.
Guaranteed two games.
Register online at halo.truman.edu.

Spicy Sunday Dinner
5-6:30 p.m. • Sept. 23
Ryle Hall Lounge
Join us for an evening of free food
and Hispanic culture.

"Rebel Voices"
8 p.m. • Sept. 26-29
Ophelia Parrish
Performance Hall

North Central Missouri
Multi-Cultural Festival
8 a.m.-7 p.m. • Sept. 29
Milan, Mo.

McNair Program Informational Meetings

3 p.m. • Oct. 1
Student Union Building
Conference Room 3000

3:30 p.m. • Oct. 4
Student Union Building
Activities Room

The Oct. 4 meeting will focus on
STEM majors, but students from
any major are welcome to attend.

For more information, visit
mcnair.truman.edu.

VOTE 2012

Voter Registration
Tables on the Mall
Oct. 1-5, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Presidential Debate Watch Parties
Oct. 3, HUB
Oct. 16, 22 SUB Down Under

Election Night Results Party
Nov. 6, HUB
Food and drinks provided.

NOTES

Bulldog LEADERS, Truman Athletics and ROTC will host ESPY award-winning inspirational speaker Aaron Thomas at 7 p.m. Sept. 18 in Pershing Arena. Thomas is the son of the late Ed Thomas, a long-time football coach for Aplington-Parkersburg High School in Parkersburg, Iowa. Not long after helping his town recover from the aftermath of a tornado, Ed Thomas was killed at the hands of a mentally ill former player. In his presentation, Thomas shares his story and shows audiences how to deal with adversity, set important goals and live a meaningful life.

Jillian Anthony, campus recruiter for The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, will be on campus Sept. 19. Join Anthony and the Truman in Washington Program for an information meeting to discuss internship opportunities in the D.C. area at 6 p.m. Sept. 19 in the Student Union Building 3202. Past D.C. interns will be attending to share their own experiences and answer questions. For more information, visit the Truman in Washington Program website at twp.truman.edu. Contact Jay Self at selfjw@truman.edu with any questions regarding the Truman in Washington Program.

The Wellness Zone, located inside the library, will be celebrating its grand opening from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 20 on the Quad. Students will have the opportunity to practice and learn about stress management techniques. Two back massage chairs located in the library will be available for free trial during the grand opening. Blood pressure screening, stress balls and other stress management resources will be available, as well as some healthy snacks.

The School of Social and Cultural Studies will host an open house at 4 p.m. Sept. 21 in Barnett Hall. The open house is an opportunity for faculty and staff to see the renovations recently completed to facilitate the relocation of the departments of Psychology and Military Science, as well as the facilities for the departments of

Communication, Justice Systems and Society and Environment. Stop by for complimentary refreshments and tours from 4-5 p.m.

The University will be conducting a public auction of surplus property at 9 a.m. Sept. 22 at Dulaney-Baldwin Building No. 4 located on Hwy 63 South and LaHarpe Street.

Ekklesia will sponsor a free concert by the a cappella gospel group Durant at 7 p.m. Sept. 22 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

SafeZone training will be available to faculty and staff at 4 p.m. Sept. 24 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. The program will inform participants on how to help create a safer environment for LGBT students on the Truman campus. For more information, contact Joe Hamilton at hamilton@truman.edu or visit safefzone.truman.edu.

Amber Johnson, professor and chair of anthropology, will give a short talk about the archaeology of Northeast Missouri at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 in the Ruth W. Towne Museum. The talk will focus on the basic pattern of culture change in this region and why it differs from surrounding regions. There will be a brief meeting for anyone interested in becoming a member of the newly founded Northeast Missouri chapter of the Missouri Archaeological Society immediately following the talk.

The Fourth Annual Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Symposium will take place 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 29 on the A.T. Still University campus. More information can be found at atsu.edu/research/conferences/seminars.

Reslife will host Oktoberfest from 4-7 p.m. Oct. 5 on the Mall. Stop by for fun, food, root beer and live performances.

The Center for Academic Excellence newsletter is now available at excellence.truman.edu/CAE_newsletter1.pdf.

SLEEP AWARENESS WEEK

SEPT. 24-28

Sept. 24
Sheep on the Quad
12-3 p.m.

Sept. 25
Yoga on the Quad 12-3 p.m.

Sept. 26
Pajama Day
Hammocks on the Quad
12-3 p.m.

Peace Meditation
5-6 p.m. Baldwin Hall 251.

Sept. 27
Presentation by Brenda Higgins, director of University Counseling Services.
7-8 p.m.
Baldwin Hall Little Theater

PICKLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Encouraging discovery...

Check out the new Digital Library collection. It features digitized objects that include manuscripts, photographs, glass slides, vintage sheet music and other unique and rare items from Special Collections and University Archives. New items and collections will be added on a continuing basis. Visit digitallibrary.truman.edu.

Sigma Alpha Haunted Corn Maze

Oct. 25 • 7-10 p.m.

Oct. 26 • 8 p.m.-12 a.m.

Oct. 27 • 8 p.m.-12 a.m.

Admission is \$3 for Truman students with an ID and \$5 for general admission. Oct. 25 receive \$1 off with a canned food item.

Oct. 28 is kids day. From 1-3 p.m. bring kids for a fun walk through the maze. There will be treats as well as arts crafts. Admission is \$3 per child.



On-Campus Interview Schedule:

UHY
Sept. 17

Rubin Brown
Preview session • 7-9:30 p.m.
Sept. 17
SUB 3201
Interview • Sept. 18

MarksNelson
Preview session • 6-7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19
SUB 3100
Interview • Sept. 18

BKD
Interview • Sept. 21

Ernst & Young
Preview session • 6-8 p.m.
Sept. 24
Kirkville Country Club
Interviews • Sept. 25

Deloitte
Sept. 26

PWC
Preview session • 7-8:30 p.m.
Sept. 26
SUB Georgian Room
Interview • Sept. 27

Hallmark
Sept. 28

Emerson Electric
Sept. 28

Mueller Prost
Info Sessions • Sept. 20
Violette Hall
Oct. 5

Edward Jones
Oct. 25

Aldi
Preview Session • 6-9 p.m. Nov. 1
SUB 3203
Interview • Nov. 2

Check out career.truman.edu to find out more about each employer and to learn about the application process.