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CHEMISTRY PROGRAM RANKED NATIONALLY

In the most recent ranking of the American Chemical Society (ACS) Truman's Chemistry program tied for 15th place for the number of accredited degrees given in 2006-2007 with 32.

Further analysis of the data the ACS provided reveals even more about the significance of this success.

The number of accredited degrees given by Truman exceeds any Ivy League schools, as well as a number of other highly regarded and more expensive liberal arts schools.

Even more telling is the fact that Truman's program awarded five more accredited degrees than the entire rest of the MIAA conference, which totaled 27.

Truman's 32 graduates even exceeds that of the total number of degrees awarded, accredited and non-accredited, by three of the four University of Missouri campuses.

Since Truman's Chemistry program is listed alongside larger schools, a comparison based on the ratio of the number of accredited degrees awarded to the total undergraduate enrollment for each of the top 25 schools places Truman's program seventh among the ranked schools.

Recycling Center Updates Services

Beginning March 1, the Truman Recycling Center will be operating under some new procedures and will expand its services to include recycling electronic equipment.

Truman's Recycling Center will continue to provide free recycling to the campus and the community, but users will now be required to sort their materials before they are dropped off or when they are delivered to the Recycling Center.

Howard Worcester, director of the Recycling Center, said as residents have become more environmentally concerned, the demand for outlets such as the Recycling Center has grown.

"The last six months the volume has increased so much we just can't keep up with it," he said. "People are becoming more eco-conscious."

With any change, there is always an adjustment period, but Worcester hopes this will not deter any residents from bringing their items to the Center whenever possible.

"Based upon the high volume of materials we

receive, it is clear the Center is valued," he said. "We just need the users to now help us sort the materials so we can keep up with the demand."

Another change at the Recycling Center is residents will be able to drop off old electronic equipment, such as computers, printers and televisions, all free of charge. Worcester said some outlets charge as much as \$20 to take similar items.

In addition to cardboard, aluminum cans, newspapers, magazines, plastic milk jugs and water bottles, Truman's Recycling Center is also the only outlet in Kirksville that accepts glass bottles. The glass is crushed and sold at the Center for \$5 per ton. It has also been used in City construction projects and on campus.

Truman's Recycling Center, located on LaHarpe Street, opened in January 2002. The Center's hours are Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. For more information about the Center and the materials it processes, call 785.7672.

Students Represent Truman at Capitol



Truman students stand on the Missouri State Capitol steps in Jefferson City with Sen. Wes Shoemyer and Rep. Rebecca McClanahan during Capitol Appreciation Day, Feb. 10. Many of the students had research posters on display in the Capitol rotunda and presented their research findings to their hometown Senator and Representative. Truman gave each Senator, Representative and their staff a gift made from the University Recycling Center's recycled glass. Howard Worcester, director of the Recycling Center, crafted each gift by hand.

KOHLBERG LYCEUM EVENT: "THE MIKADO" 7:30 p.m. Feb. 24 Baldwin Auditorium

Tickets are free for all Truman students, faculty and staff. Students can pick up tickets at the Student Activities Board office in the Student Union Building. Faculty and staff may pick up their tickets at the information desk in the Student Union Building.

Career Expo

Feb. 25

1-5 p.m.

Student Union Building

Register today at <http://career.truman.edu/student/sturegistration.asp>.

All students and professors should take advantage of this networking opportunity. During a rough economy, it is advantageous to speak directly to recruiters who have taken the time to visit Truman and who want to speak with Truman students.

Phi Sigma Pi presents "Get Lost" with Travel Expert Doug Lansky

7 p.m. Feb. 27
Student Union Building
Georgian Rooms

Lansky will give helpful tips on how to make the most out of traveling.

If more than 300 people are in attendance Lansky will give away a Eurorail pass worth \$1,200.

This event is free to all students, faculty and staff. For more information visit <http://www.douglansky.com/>.

FREE Tax Return Preparation

Beta Alpha Psi provides FREE Volunteer Income Tax Assistance to students and the community.

8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Feb. 28, March 28 and April 4
Violette Hall 1424

All volunteers are IRS certified and all returns are reviewed for accuracy.

For more information visit <http://bap.truman.edu> or call 785.4268.

JazzFest 41 Features Musician Ben Allison

The men's leading music fraternity, Phi Mu Alpha, will present Ben Allison, along with his rhythm section Man Size Safe, as this year's artist for JazzFest 41 at 8 p.m. Feb. 28.

Cited in the "Best Bassist" category of the 2005, 2006 and 2007 Downbeat Readers' Poll, Allison's work has not gone unnoticed by the press.

Jazz Times said Allison is a "visionary composer, adventurous improviser, and a strong organizational force on the New York City jazz scene, [and] has emerged as a rising star over the past decade."

Called "one of today's best young jazz musicians" by the Boston Globe, Allison has released eight albums of original music all of which showcase his forward-thinking vision as a producer, composer, arranger and bassist, as well as his hands-on approach to his craft.

Since 2003 Allison has been routinely listed in the Downbeat Critics Poll in an extremely wide variety of categories including "Bassist," "Composer," "Rising Star Bassist," (ranking



Ben Allison

number 1 in 2005, 2006 and 2007) "Rising Star Album," "Rising Star Acoustic Group," "Rising Star Arranger," and "Rising Star Jazz Artist," all of which are a testament to his dedication as a musician.

Born in 1966 in New Haven, Conn., Allison has performed all over the world. He has appeared on more than 40 albums by various artists and has written music for film, national television and radio, including the theme for the National Public Radio show, "On the Media," which boasts a listenership of more than 1 million people per week, and the score for "Two Days," a play written by Pulitzer Prize-winning author

Donald Margulies. He was also a featured artist with the Jazz Sinfonica Orchestra of Sao Paulo in 2005 and 2008.

This year's concert is set to take stage at 8 p.m. Feb. 28 in Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Allison will be featured beginning with the Jazz Lab and followed by the Jazz Ensemble. Tickets will be on sale at the door before the concert. They are free with a student ID and \$8 for general admission.

"COMM Week" Offers Opportunities for All Majors and Seeks to Attract New Students

Lambda Pi Eta, communication honor fraternity, will sponsor "COMM Week" March 2-5.

COMM Week's goal is to attract new students to the major, to bring together the communication department and to provide learning experiences for all interested students. Each day will feature different events highlighting communication organizations and opportunities to become involved, regardless of major.

The Advertising and Public Relations Organization and Lambda Pi Eta will sponsor the main event of the week, keynote speaker Lisa Bedian, community relations director for the City of St. Peters, Mo., at 7 p.m. March 4 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. Bedian is a Truman alumna and has more than 18 years of experience in marketing communications and 16 years in sports broadcasting. She will be speaking on the economy and crisis communication.

Other events include a communication activity fair at 11 a.m.-1 p.m. March 2 in Barnett Hall where students can learn more about

communication and media organizations.

The newly formed National Communication Association Student Club will host an activity at 7:30 p.m. March 2 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. At 7:30 p.m. March 3 in Barnett Hall 1211 students are invited to have their resume critiqued by a resume panel.

Communication trivia will be at 5:30 p.m. March 4 in Barnett Hall 1211 where the winners will receive a cash prize. The week will end with the final round of the Chandler Monroe Oratory Contest at 7 p.m. in Barnett Hall 1211.

From 11 a.m.-1 p.m. throughout the week, communication organizations will be out in the Barnett Hall atrium for snack breaks and a communication faculty silent auction will also be featured. The auction will end at 4 p.m. March 5.

Events are open to all students considering a major or minor in communication, or to students wanting to learn more about the department. All majors can benefit from events, especially visual communication and business marketing. For more information e-mail lambdaapieta.tsu@gmail.com.

NOTABLES

An original musical work by Warren Gooch, professor of music, will be performed at the 2009 Great Plains Regional Conference hosted by the University of Missouri at the Kansas City Conservatory of Music. The composition entitled

"Three Fauxmanian Dances" will be performed on April 4 by Ashley King, a graduate student in violin performance and orchestral conducting, and cellist Brian Kubin, assistant professor of music.

Business Majors Eligible for Peer Mentor Position

The School of Business and New Student Programs are accepting applications for the Academic Peer Mentor scholarship position for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Academic Peer Mentors provide an academic outreach program to first-year students who are or are considering pre-business/pre-accounting majors. Positions are limited to School of Business majors that will have junior or senior status in the 2009-2010 academic year.

Position descriptions, applications and recommendation forms can be obtained at the Business Academic Advising Center in Violette Hall 2413. Applications should be returned by March 23.

For more information contact Marilyn Romine, business academic adviser, at mromine@truman.edu or Mark Weidner, head academic adviser of New Student Programs, at mweidner@truman.edu.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Foundation scholarship applications for Truman students in 2009-2010 are now available. Current students must apply online. Applications are due by midnight March 1. To learn more, go to <https://secure.truman.edu/isupport-s/>.

The Webster Groves Herb Society is offering a scholarship up to \$3,000 to qualifying sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students enrolled in a Missouri college or university who are majoring in horticulture, floriculture, landscape design, botany, plant pathology, forestry, agronomy, environmental concerns, city planning, land management or allied subject. Applications for the 2009-2010 academic year must be submitted on the required application form and mailed to the Webster Groves Herb Society. Visit the Financial Aid Office for requirements and the application form for this scholarship. Deadline for scholarship submission is March 1.

The Missouri Travel Council will offer two \$1,000 scholarships to currently enrolled sophomores, juniors or seniors in an accredited college or university in the state of Missouri. Applicants must be pursuing a hospitality-related major such as hotel/restaurant management, parks and recreation, etc., must be a current resident of Missouri and must have a GPA of at least 3.0. To obtain further information about how to apply for this scholarship please go to <http://www.missouritravel.com>. The deadline is March 2.

Applications are available in the Financial Aid

office for the J. R. Popalisky Scholarship Fund of the Missouri Section of the American Water Works Association. This \$1,000 scholarship opportunity is available to civil or environmental engineering or environmental science students who have an emphasis in career fields associated with water supply. Deadline for submittal of this application is March 23.

The Missouri Insurance Education Foundation will award scholarships to deserving students attending Missouri colleges or universities in a program that could lead to positions in the insurance industry in Missouri. The C. Lawrence Leggett Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 will be awarded to a junior or senior Missouri resident majoring in insurance or a related area of study in a Missouri college or university. In addition to the Leggett Scholarship, the foundation has made an additional scholarship available in the amount of \$2,000. Application forms are available on their website at <http://www.mief.org/>. Applications are due by March 31.

The Zonta Club of St. Louis is now accepting applications for the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship. Women pursuing undergraduate business degrees who demonstrate outstanding potential in the field are eligible to apply. The woman must be entering the third or fourth year of an undergraduate degree program. Application forms are available on the Zonta website at <http://www.zonta.org>. Select international programs and click on education, leadership, and youth development. Applications are due by April 3.

Cold Turkey Tobacco Cessation Classes

Free for any student, staff or faculty members.

8-9 p.m.

Feb. 26

March 5, 19

Pershing Building 301

Free patches, gum, quit classes and physician consultations.

Just show up or e-mail ccox@truman.edu if you can not attend scheduled classes.

Health Students Conduct Series for Faculty and Staff

Menu Mistakes

10:30 a.m. March 3

Make good food choices on the go and ordering out.

Deskercise

11:30 a.m. March 23

This presentation will show you some quick and easy exercises that can be done right at your desk to reduce muscle tension and stress.

Eating Healthy at Work

11:30 a.m. March 30

Topics include creative brown-bag lunches, healthy snacking choices and tips for dining in the Student Union Building.

These 45-minute sessions will be in Pickler Memorial Library Room 103 and are targeted toward faculty and staff members.

The Student Activities Board

presents:

**John Oliver
from "The Daily Show with
Jon Stewart"**

7 p.m. March 21

Baldwin Hall Auditorium

Tickets are free for students and will be on sale March 2. General admission tickets are \$5 and will be available March 4. Tickets can be picked up in the SAB office located in the Student Union Building.

Rock Generation Offered This Summer

Truman students pose for a picture in front of the Beatles Experience Museum in Liverpool, England in 2006. Their trip was part of the Rock Generation course, which is being offered again this summer, May 17-June 9. Students will experience the roots of the British invasion and groups like the Stones, Who, Pink Floyd and the Sex Pistols while learning about the UK and its people. For more information contact Gregory Jones, professor of music, at 785.4423 or e-mail at grjones@truman.edu.



NOTES

The Center for Student Involvement will sponsor Pizza and Publicity, a workshop with information regarding campus posting polices and publicity ideas, will take place at 7 p.m. Feb. 24 in the Student Involvement Complex. There will be free food, door prizes and a resource packet.

SUB After Dark will sponsor a Mardi Gras Celebration starting at 9 p.m. Feb. 24 in the Student Union Building Hub.

The Physics Colloquia continues Feb. 25 at 4:30 p.m. in Magruder Hall 1096 with "Probing the Quantum-Classical Border with Variable Strength Measurements of Single Photons," presented by Michael Goggin, associate professor of physics. Snacks are provided ten minutes before the talk. For more information about the colloquium series and upcoming talks, please visit: <http://physics.truman.edu/colloquia/mainstage.asp>.

There will be a Peace Corps information session from 6:30-8 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Student Union Building Down Under.

The Gala Lincoln Bicentennial Concert will take place at 8 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

The Student Activities Board will present Truman Live: SNL Style at 7 p.m. Feb. 27 in Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Tickets are free with a student ID and can be picked up in the SAB Office in the Student Union Building.

The deadline to sign up for China 330/530G, the two-week course China during the May interim, is March 1. Contact Jan Grow at jgrow@truman.edu or 785.2356 for more information.

An informational meeting for students taking the spring interim class "ED 393 Clinical Experiences in Teaching," will take place at 5 p.m. March 2 in Violette Hall 1300. Students will be completing background screening forms and providing suggested grade levels for the field component of the course. Meeting times for the course include two mandatory Saturday sessions March 28 and April 25, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. each day. The regular meeting dates will be May 11-22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Students should sign up in the Education Department Office Violette Hall 2310. For questions, contact Sheila Berkowitz at sberko@truman.edu or Peter Kelly at pkelly@truman.edu.

The Student Activities Board's final trivia night, "A Trip Down Route 66," will take place at 7 p.m. March 3 in the Student Union Building Down Under. Featured categories will include "Around the World," "Nineties Sitcoms" and many more. Free food will be available and prizes will be awarded.

The Truman Summer 2009 Study Abroad Program in Aix, France will sponsor an informational meeting at 7:30 p.m. March 4 in the Student Union Building Room 3203. For more information contact Patrick Lobert at plobert@truman.edu or 785.4062.

The Center for Student Involvement is currently taking applications for work-study and scholarship student employees for the 2009-2010 school year. Students interested in working for the CSI can apply online at: <http://csi.truman.edu/apply/application.asp> or pick up a hardcopy application in the CSI. Applications are due by 4 p.m. March 20.

CALENDAR

Check out the Master Calendar, available at <http://calendar.truman.edu>, as well as on the Truman home page and TruView, for updated daily campus events. Information about numerous off-campus events can be found by clicking on the Kirksville tab in TruView.

BANNER DATABASE SERVER UPGRADE SCHEDULED FOR FEB. 28-MARCH 1

Starting Feb. 28, IT Services will begin upgrading to a new Banner database server for the Banner system. The server upgrade is scheduled to begin Feb. 28, at 2 a.m. It is anticipated that the upgrade will be completed by the end of the day March 1.

All Banner services will be down during the upgrade, including all Banner links on TruView and mybill.truman.edu. All users, including students, faculty and staff, will not have access to any Banner services during the upgrade period.

Favorite English Writing Professor Contest winners announced from International Writing Center Association Week

1st Place Winner

Ed Rogers
Instructor in Communication and English

2nd Place Winner

Sally Cook
Associate Professor of Linguistics

Winners were awarded prizes donated by the Truman Bookstore.

Leadership Recognition Program Nominations

Due by 5 p.m. March 18.

Nominate exceptional student leaders, advisors, organizations and events on campus. Nomination forms are available at <http://csi.truman.edu>.



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