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Professor, Historian, Writer, Producer and Peacebuilder Dr. Charles L. Chavis Jr. to Present ‘Hidden in Full View’



The Martha T. and Ralph M. Race Lecture Series will host Dr. Charles L. Chavis Jr. in “Hidden in Full View: Confronting the Legacy of Racism in the Age of Fracture” on **Thursday, March 31**, at 7 p.m. in Gira Center 397.

Chavis is a writer, filmmaker, activist and professor. He is the author of the groundbreaking book, “The Silent Shore: The Lynching of Matthew Williams and the Politics of Racism in the Free State,” which is being adapted into a documentary series. Chavis is director of African and African American Studies and founding director of the John Mitchell Jr. Program for History, Justice and Race at the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution, as well as assistant professor of history and conflict resolution at

George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. He is the national co-chair for the United States Truth Racial Healing and Transformation Movement and vice chair of the Maryland Lynching Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Chavis also serves on PBS’s Exploring Hate Advisory Committee.

Chavis’ work focuses on the history of racial violence and civil rights activism and Black and Jewish relations in the American South, and the ways in which the historical understandings of racial violence and civil rights activism can inform current and future approaches to peacebuilding and conflict resolution throughout the world.

For info, contact Dr. Eleanor H. McConnell at ehmcconnell@frostburg.edu.

Help for Students

Spring Tutoring Information

The last day of tutoring will be **Tuesday, May 10**. Hours of operation are **Mondays through Thursdays** from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and **Fridays** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Math and natural sciences tutoring will take place in Pullen 139, and writing, business and computer science tutoring will be held in Pullen 151.

Appointment-based/in-person tutoring course offerings are as follows: ACCT 211/212/311, BIOL 109/149/160/161/304/310/322/435, CHEM 201/202/311/312/321/322/455, COSC 101/102/240/241, DVMT 099/100, ECON 201/202, EXSS 103/115/175/200/313/341/401, GEOG 103/104/275, ITEC 345, MATH 104/109/119/120/236/237, MGMT 355/357, PHSC 101/203, PHYS 215/261/262/263, Writing and Academic Skills (textbook strategies, study skills, time management and learning strategies). Students use TutorTrac to make appointments.

Walk-in/group sessions are as follows: ACCT 211 on **Wednesdays** from 6 to 7 p.m. in Framptom 208, BIOL 149 on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 5 to 6 p.m. in Compton 225, BIOL 322 on **Fridays** from 11 a.m. to noon in Compton 326, CHEM 202 on **Tuesdays** from 6 to 7 p.m. in Compton 358, CHEM 311/312/321/322 on **Mondays** from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Compton 226, CHEM 455 on **Mondays** from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Compton 226, GEOG 103 on **Thursdays** from 6 to 7 p.m. in Gunter 219, MGMT 355 on **Tuesdays**

from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in Framptom 303, MGMT 357 on **Mondays** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in Framptom 323 and PHYS 215/261/262/263 on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 3 to 5 p.m. in Compton 234 and **Mondays through Thursdays** from 11 a.m. to noon in Compton 236.

For NetTutor, the 24/7, third-party, online tutoring platform accessible via Canvas, students must send an email to Mark Smith at msmith@frostburg.edu to gain access. Information about NetTutor is posted outside Pullen 151.

For info, contact the FSU Tutoring Center at 301-687-3077 or 301-687-4066. You can also visit the website at <http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/provost/academic-success-network/tutor/?forceAbsoluteURLs=false&skipGA=false>.

PAWS Pantry Hours

PAWS Pantry hours are **Mondays and Wednesdays** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and **Thursdays** from 1 to 7 p.m. at the Braddock House, 20 Braddock Road.

If the pantry regular hours do not work for you, email pawspantry@frostburg.edu to set up an appointment.

Updated Liability Form: The pantry recently updated its Intake and Liability Waiver. All customers (new and returning) will need to complete this form before using the pantry. You will receive your new Pantry ID card at your first visit to the pantry this semester.

For the following events, FSU is following CDC guidance based on current area conditions. Currently, masks are to be worn indoors in the presence of others, regardless of vaccination status. Event attendees are encouraged to visit www.frostburg.edu/checkin for symptom monitoring. Users can display the portal's "Reduced Risk" badge on a mobile device for admission, or they may respond to symptom-check questions posted at events.

Dance

CES at FSU Presents Velocity Irish Dance in Celebration of Irish-American Heritage Month



Celebrate Irish-American Heritage Month when CES at FSU presents Velocity Irish Dance. The **Wednesday, March 16**, performance will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall of FSU's Woodward D. Pealer Performing Arts Center.

Velocity has been described by The New York Times as a "multimedia show for all ages, earnestly tracing the evolution of Irish dance while toying with tradition." James Devine, the Guinness World Record holder for the "Fastest Feet in the World," and five-time World Champion Irish dancer, David Geaney, join a crew of mind-blowing musicians, including an old-school scratch DJ, to create a riveting, fast-paced celebration of the past, present and future of Irish dance.

Performance tickets are \$28 for adults; \$25.20 for FSU faculty/staff, military and youth under 18; and free for FSU students.

For info, visit the CES webpage at ces.frostburg.edu or contact the University box office at 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office, located in the Lane Center, is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Music

Unless otherwise noted, music performances will take place in Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact FSU's Department of Music at 301-687-4109. Music events will also be livestreamed; the link will be posted at www.frostburg.edu/concerts.

Dr. Isaac Greene Will Perform in Faculty Artist Series Concert, 'Bach and His Students'

FSU's Department of Music will present guitarist **Dr. Isaac Greene** in a Faculty Artist Series concert, titled "Bach and His Students," on **Friday, April 1**, at 7:30 p.m.

This program explores the influence of Johann Sebastian Bach's solo music on modern and contemporary composers. Though none of them were actually Bach's students, the influence his music had on theirs is clear. Multiple pieces by Bach will be performed paired with pieces from the 20th and 21st centuries by Astor Piazzolla, Frederic Mompou and others that show some of these influences.

FSU Chorale and Chamber Singers to Present Spring Concert, 'O Come, Let Us Sing!'

FSU's Department of Music will present the University Chorale and Chamber Singers, under the direction of **Dr. Scott Rieker**, in "O Come, Let Us Sing!" on **Saturday, April 2**, at 7:30 p.m. They will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen**.

Featuring works by Astor Piazzolla, Margaret Bonds, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Morten Lauridsen and others, this concert explores the breadth of choral music spanning two centuries.

Piazzolla was an Argentine tango composer, bandoneon player and arranger. His works revolutionized the traditional tango into a new style termed nuevo tango, incorporating elements from jazz and classical music.

Bonds was an American composer, pianist, arranger and teacher. One of the first Black composers and performers to gain recognition in the United States, she is best remembered for her popular arrangements of African American spirituals.

Coleridge-Taylor was an English composer and conductor. He was particularly known for his three cantatas on the epic poem "Song of Hiawatha" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Coleridge-Taylor premiered the first section in 1898, when he was 22.

Vaughan Williams was an English composer whose works include operas, ballets, chamber music, secular and religious vocal pieces, and orchestral compositions, including nine symphonies written over 60 years. Strongly influenced by Tudor music and English folk songs, his output marked a decisive break in British music from its German-dominated style of the 19th century.

Lauridsen is an American composer. His musical approaches are very diverse, ranging from direct to abstract. His Latin sacred settings often reference Gregorian chants plus medieval and Renaissance procedures while blending them within a freshly contemporary sound. His music has an overall lyricism and is tightly constructed around melodic and harmonic motifs.

Saxophonist Dr. Brent Weber in Faculty Artist Series Concert

FSU's Department of Music will present saxophonist **Dr. Brent Weber** in a Faculty Artist Series concert on **Sunday, April 3**, at 3 p.m. He will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Jay DeWire**.

Weber will perform "Rock Me!" by Barry Cockcroft, "Elegie et Rondeau" by Karel Husa, "Lamento et Rondo" by Pierre Sancan, the four movements of "Hot Sonate" by Erwin Schulhoff and several pieces from "Suite From 'Romeo and Juliet'" by Sergei Prokofiev, arranged by Lidia Baich and Matthias Fletzberger and transcribed by Weber.

Cockcroft's "Rock Me!" captures the relentless driving energy, rhythms and beats found in many forms of rock music. At times the saxophonist must simulate various other instruments, including didgeridoo, electric bass, drum kit, distorted guitar and occasionally, acoustic saxophone.

Known in the U.S. as a composer of band music, Husa has also written music for orchestra, piano, mixed chorus and chamber ensembles, as well as several concertos. "Elegie et Rondeau" was composed in 1960.

Sancan was a French composer, pianist, teacher and conductor. He was a major figure among French musicians in the mid-20th-century transition between modern and contemporary eras, but outside France his name is almost unknown.

Schulhoff was among the first composers who recognized the potential of jazz-influenced dance music forms for serious music. "Hot Sonate" (1930) is one of his best-known works.

"Romeo and Juliet, Op. 64" is a ballet by Prokofiev based on William Shakespeare's play "Romeo and Juliet." First composed in 1935, it was substantially revised for its Soviet premiere in early 1940. "Introduction," "Juliet the Young Girl," "Montagues and the Capulets," "Balcony Scene," "Dance of the Five Couples," "Mercutio" and "The Fight" are included in this performance.

FSU's Department of Music Presents Vocal Studio Recitals

FSU's Vocal Studios will present recitals of classical, operatic and musical theatre selections on **Monday, April 4**, and **Wednesday, April 6**. The program for both performances will be the same, and both recitals will take place at 7:30 p.m.

Music majors and minors from the vocal studios of **Gregory Scott Stuart** and **Francesca Aguado**, accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen**, will perform art songs and selections from opera and musical theatre. Among the selections will be works by women composers. The musical theatre selections include many well-known songs from the contemporary musical theatre repertory.

Readings

CLA Hosts Reading by Poet Zhang Er



The Center for Literary Arts will present a reading by Zhang Er on **Wednesday, March 16**, at 7 p.m. in Ort Library 237. This event is free and open to the public.

Zhang, a poet, translator and opera librettist, is the author of seven collections of poetry in Chinese, most recently, "Sea Volts and Bullets Twirl" (Showwe, 2021). Her most recent book in English translation, "First Mountain" (2018), a collaborative work with American poet Joseph Donahue, is from Zephyr Press, which has also published her selected poems in two bilingual collections, "So Translating Rivers" and "Cities and Verses on Bird." She has seven chapbooks in English translation, among them

"The Disappearance of Little Fang Family Lane." Zhang co-edited and participated in the translation of the anthologies "Another Kind of Nation: An Anthology of Contemporary Chinese Poetry" (Talisman House Publishers) and "The Art of Women in Contemporary China: Both Sides Now" (Cambridge Scholars Publisher).

Zhang is also known for her translations of the works of American poet John Ashbery over the past 20 years, which have been published in various poetry journals in China. In addition, she writes opera libretti in English for American composers.

Presentations

Choose Civility Events

"What Did You Meme?" Event Explores Role of Memes and Misinformation in Our Lives

The Department of Communication's Communication Leadership Lab and *Dr. Chelsea Daggett's* CMST 302 Argumentation and Advocacy class will facilitate a presentation and discussion titled, "What Did You Meme?: A Discussion About Avoiding Misinformation," on **Tuesday, April 5**, at 2 p.m. in Gira Center 161. This open discussion on media literacy will feature examples of logical fallacies in memes and how misinformation spreads in online spaces. Participants will be invited to engage in an open discussion about our difficulties assessing information and the quality of arguments online.

For info, contact Daggett, instructor of Communication Studies, at crdaggett@frostburg.edu or Communication Leadership Lab assistants Juston Bailey at jcbailey0@frostburg.edu or Jacques Metayer at jmmetayer0@frostburg.edu. The event is one of many available at FSU as part of the #BobcatsAgainstBias campaign to promote an inclusive campus environment.

Day of Civility "Social Media Civility" Event to Feature Leader-in-Residence and Panellists Who Lead Local Communication Campaigns

This Choose Civility: Allegany event will be held on the annual Day of Civility in Allegany County on **Thursday, April 7**, at 6 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

This year's leader-in-residence will be Dr. Dorene Ciletti, an associate professor and director of the marketing and sales program, co-founder of the Michael P. Pitterich Sales & Innovation Center and co-director of Women in Industry for the Rowland School of Business at Point Park University in Pittsburgh. Ciletti's expertise in marketing, sales and strategy has been instrumental in developing new curricula, facilitating corporate and community-facing initiatives and leading student teams to success in regional and national competitions. Her teaching centers on experiential learning and design thinking, including consulting and collaborating with businesses and community organizations.

The following additional local panelists will join to contribute to a discussion about "Social Media Civility: Influencing Community and Strategy Online and on the Ground," adding their diverse perspectives on how to contribute to constructive and responsive communication that connects and moves people across channels, modalities and purposes.

Mandela Echefu M'12, owner, Wheelz Up Adventures, Cumberland

Ian Robinson, vice president and co-chair of Social Media Committee of NAACP Local Chapter 7007

Ashley Swinford '13, director of Marketing and Outreach, Allegany County Library System

Ashli Workman '08, director of Tourism in Allegany County

The event is also one of many available at FSU as part of the #BobcatsAgainstBias campaign to promote an inclusive campus environment. Time will be made for networking with local guests. Access will also be possible virtually for the public by registering at <https://bit.ly/SocialMediaCivility>.

For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, coordinator of Leadership Studies, at elruminski@frostburg.edu, or Patrick O'Brien, director of the Office of Civic Engagement, at pobrien@frostburg.edu. For info on the Choose Civility Chapter in Allegany County, visit <https://www.alleganycountylibrary.info/choose-civility>.

Exhibits

FSU Student William O'Boyle Curates Exhibit in Honor of Pansye S. Atkinson



In honor of **Pansye S. Atkinson**, who recently passed away, and in celebration of Women's History Month, FSU student **William O'Boyle** has curated an exhibit dedicated to her legacy at FSU. It will be displayed on the main floor of the library for the remainder of the semester.

Pansye and her husband, **Bill Atkinson**, were hired in 1969 as part of a state mandate to desegregate higher education in Maryland. Pansye was head of the Office of Integration and Bill was hired as the Admissions counselor. In her first several years at FSU, Pansye coordinated, monitored and evaluated the College's desegregation process. In 1975, she was named affirmative action coordinator and in 1986 became the director of the Office of Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity, a position she held until her retirement in 2005.

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Pansye brought to campus cultural and educational programs that focused on African American history, the arts, politics and education. She was also the mentor to the Black Student Alliance.

William died in 1981. In 1982, as a result of a student initiative, Lane Center room 201 was named in recognition of his service to the College. The room was re-dedicated in 1998 as the William Reeder Atkinson Room (232).

Pansye presented her ideas and research, primarily on student retention of minority students, at numerous universities as well as at national conferences. In 1993, she published a book, "Brown vs. Topeka: Desegregation and Miseducation, an African American's View."

After 36 years of service, Pansye retired from FSU. In 2016, she received the Allegany County NAACP Branch 7007 Lifetime Achievement Award.

O'Boyle is an English major and biology/forestry minor. He is a member of the FSU Honors Program.

For access to the Pansye Atkinson Collection or for info about the exhibit, email ylzakharova@frostburg.edu.

'Club Kids' Exhibit on Display at Roper Gallery



"Club Kids: Ten Years at Night," a photography exhibit by Dan Urbano, will be on view at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU's Fine Arts Building **through Friday, March 25**.

For this exhibit, the Roper Gallery will be open **Mondays through Fridays** from 1 to 5 p.m.

For info, contact Ash Lester at allester@frostburg.edu.

Points of Pride

Allen and Duncan Are Guest Performers at Allegany Co. Public Schools Celebration of Read Across America



Dr. Phil Allen reads B.J. Novak's "The Book With No Pictures" at the Allegany County Public Schools celebration of Read Across America.

Two FSU faculty members were among the guest performers on March 2, the birthday of Dr. Seuss, for the Allegany County Public Schools celebration of Read Across America.

Dr. Phil Allen, an associate professor in FSU's Department of Geography, read B.J. Novak's "The Book With No Pictures" to fourth and fifth graders at John Humbird Elementary in Cumberland.

Andy Duncan, a professor in the Department of English and Foreign Languages, read the opening of Norton Juster's "The Phantom Tollbooth" to third, fourth and fifth graders at Westernport Elementary.

Launched in 1998 by the National Education Association, Read Across America is "the nation's largest celebration of reading." For info, visit <https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/read-across-america>.

Office of Sponsored Programs Successes/News

On Feb. 28, project director **Dr. Kris McGee**, an associate professor in the Department of Educational Professions, was awarded \$5,000 in Nora Roberts Foundation funds and \$15,000 in Alice Virginia and David W. Fletcher Foundation funds from the FSU Foundation for the PALS Summer Literacy, Math and Mindfulness program.

For info, see the Office of Sponsored Program's Successes/News webpage at <http://www.frostburg.edu/osp/successesnews.php>.

Take Note

Leadership and Engagement Awards

Nominations are being accepted for the Leadership and Engagement Awards (formerly the Leadership Awards). Last year the award categories were expanded to highlight excellence in engagement, which often goes with the exceptional leadership experienced on campus.

Do you know a great student leader from your class, is there a recognized student organization you are involved with or would you like to suggest one of your advisees? Do you work with an amazing colleague who has gone above and beyond and deserves to be recognized? Take a few moments and nominate them for one of the many award categories.

Nominations are being accepted for the period April 1, 2021, to **March 31, 2022**, with a **Monday, April 4**, submission deadline for this year's awards.

For info on award categories, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/leadership/Awards/award-categories.php>; for info on eligibility, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/leadership/Awards/eligibility.php>; and for frequently asked questions or to submit a nomination, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/leadership/Awards/frequently-asked-questions.php>.

The Student Affairs Leadership and Engagement Awards ceremony will be held on **Thursday, May 5**, at 6 p.m.

Call for Civil Citizen Communicator Award Nominations



The Communication Leadership Lab, which is affiliated with programs of the Department of Communication at FSU, will award the eighth annual Civil Citizen Communicator Award this May. The award is given to a student enrolled at FSU who has within the previous year demonstrated communication leadership, or a commitment through word and actions to civility and constructive change within an organization or community. This person should have demonstrated communication competence, leadership competence and an awareness of and responsiveness to matters of civility that impact others. This award aligns with the mission of the Department of Communication programs and FSU to support the oral communication competency and leadership development of FSU students. It also supports regional and cultural development through recognition of efforts that link the campus to community partners.

Do you know someone who fits this description, someone who is committed to changing the University, another organization or society for the better? Is that person you? If so, submit a nomination for the Civil Citizen Communicator Award. Nominations will be accepted until the deadline of **Friday, April 29**. Nominate a candidate or yourself by emailing Connie Capacchione, program management specialist of the Department of Communication, at ccapacchione@frostburg.edu. Nominations should include:

The nominee's full name, major(s)/minor(s) and intended graduation date

If not a self-nomination, the name, role and relationship of the nominator to the nominee

A brief rationale (up to 1,000 words) explaining why the nominee fits the award criteria above

Additional support for the nomination (up to three written documents, photos or videos of speeches or events, promotional materials, letters of acknowledgement, etc.)

For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, at elruminski@frostburg.edu. The call for nominations is also available at the Communication Leadership Lab website at <https://www.frostburg.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/department-of-communication/frostburg-dialogue/civility-cup-award.php>.

A panel of reviewers external to the Department of Communication will rank and determine the award winner. Public announcement will be made before FSU's May Commencement ceremony. Each award winner's name is etched on the Civility Cup, which is displayed on campus in or near the Department of Communication. In addition to this public recognition, a formal certificate will be given to the winner.

'#BobcatsAgainstBias' Week

FSU's Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (ODEI) will host "#BobcatsAgainstBias: A Week of Celebrating Diversity, Equity and Inclusion" the week of **Friday, April 1, through Friday, April 8**. Each day will have a different theme, and events, workshops and information will be offered throughout.

Friday, April 1, through Sunday, April 3: Members of the campus community will participate in the National Coalition-Building Institute, Leadership Development Training. On completion of the two-and-a-half-day training, participants will receive a certificate of completion and be eligible to continue developing the skills of a DEI facilitator. For info and to register, contact the office at odei@frostburg.edu.

Monday, April 4: This is Kickoff Day, honoring the legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr on the 54th anniversary of his assassination. The MLK event will start with the dedication ceremony of Brownsville Hall (residential hall) at 6 p.m., followed by a unity march to Gira Center 397 for a Racial Healing program. Student organizations, residence halls, community members and campus divisions/offices are encouraged to create a banner reflecting the #BobcatsAgainstBias campaign. More information will be available closer to the date.

Tuesday, April 5: Tuesday will be "Take a Pledge Day." There will be various opportunities to commit to being a part of the #BobcatsAgainstBias movement. **Dr. Chelsea Daggett**, a Communication Studies faculty member, will present "What Did You Meme? A Discussion About Avoiding Misinformation" at 2 p.m. in a hybrid format meeting in Gira Center 161 and online. At 6 p.m. there will be a town hall meeting in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). The topic for the town hall meeting is "Women in Public Service."

Wednesday, April 6: The theme is "Words Matter." There will be a hybrid brown bag lunch session, "Safer Spaces," presented by the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights from noon to 2 p.m. In-person attendance will be limited, and registration will be required.

Thursday, April 7: The theme is "A Day of Civility." The evening program, hosted by the Allegany County "Choose Civility," is "Social Media and Civility" at 6 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room and online "Social Media Civility: Influencing Community and Strategy Online and on the Ground."

Friday, April 8: The week will culminate with "Building a Legacy of Kindness" with campus community members engaging in a service project (TBA) from 2 to 4 p.m. More information will be available closer to the date.

There will be information tables and activities in the Lane Center upper lobby each weekday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to promote an inclusive campus environment and provide opportunities for all to learn more about various ways we may be impacted by bias. Student organizations, faculty and staff are also invited to submit to ODEI any program, classroom assignments/discussion or events they are holding that support the #BobcatsAgainstBias mission.

The “#BobcatsAgainstBias” hashtag and logo were created by Communication Studies senior *Raye Maquire* and were adopted for this week celebrating the diversity on campus by committing to doing the work to reduce biases and microaggressions that negatively impact the campus climate. Additional information will be provided closer to the start of the campaign. For info, contact Robin Wynder, senior DEI officer, or McKenna Booker, ODEI program management specialist, at 301-687-4050 or odei@frostburg.edu.

Nominations Open for President’s Distinguished Faculty and Staff Awards

Nominations are being sought once again for the annual President’s Distinguished Faculty and Staff Awards. These awards are presented during the May commencement ceremony and include a \$2,500 monetary prize.

Submit nominations to Donnell VanSkiver in the Office of President (email to dhvanskiver@frostburg.edu, fax to 301-687-7070, send in campus mail or deliver to Hitchins 218) by **Friday, April 1**.

President’s Distinguished Faculty Award

This award recognizes faculty members who advance the University in ways consistent with its mission and the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan.

Examples of qualifying activities include focusing learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge, providing engaging experiences that challenge students to excel and expanding regional outreach and engagement and aligning University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.

Applications must be made through a letter of nomination by FSU colleagues. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Activities outlined in the nomination letter should have occurred in the fall 2021 and/or spring 2022 semester(s). The letter should consist of a narrative of no more than two pages in the form of an executive summary, plus any supporting documentation.

President’s Distinguished Staff Award

This award recognizes and encourages FSU staff members who provide exceptional service to the University and who have helped to advance its mission, goals and priorities.

Staff and faculty are invited to nominate staff colleagues they know have a recent record of significant contributions to the success of the University. Examples of qualifying activities could include, but are not limited to, suggesting new methods to help increase enrollment or student retention; involvement with innovative student activities to promote safety and well-being; providing leadership for a project or initiative making a favorable impact on the campus community; efficiency and effectiveness efforts leading to significant savings of cost, time, labor or other resources; community relations to help strengthen ties between FSU and local residents or businesses; assisting in FSU’s contribution to economic development in Western Maryland, the region and the state; and other contributions deemed to be far above and beyond the staff member’s regular job duties.

Regular exempt and nonexempt staff employees with at least three consecutive years of service to FSU are eligible to be nominated. Colleagues may nominate an eligible staff member with the knowledge and consent of the nominee. Contractual staff employees, faculty members and student workers are not eligible. Vice presidents, deans and other senior leadership are excluded.

Nomination for the President’s Distinguished Staff Award is to be made through a letter from FSU staff and/or faculty colleague(s). Multiple nominations for the same staff member are acceptable. Self-nominations and anonymous submissions will not be accepted.

Addressed to the president, a nomination letter should identify an eligible staff member and clearly document why their service is worthy of this award. Activities outlined in the nomination should have occurred during the 2021-2022 academic year. A nomination must be concise, summarizing the staff member’s outstanding accomplishments and positive impact in one or two pages, plus any supporting materials not to exceed three additional pages.

Leadership Development Opportunity

Looking for ways to increase inclusivity and diversity in the workplace, the classroom or your community? The National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI) offers hands-on leadership models to increase cultural competence in diverse settings. The FSU NCBI campus affiliate is hosting the NCBI Leadership for Diversity Three-Day Train-the-Trainer on the FSU campus **Friday, April 1, through Sunday, April 3**. This training is appropriate for faculty, staff and students and is provided to participants free of charge.

The train-the-trainer session consists of a series of incremental, experiential activities that finetunes the leadership skills necessary to build inclusive environments and increase cultural competence. Participants also learn the NCBI Controversial Issue Process, which demonstrates how to move hotly contested issues forward by listening to the heartfelt concerns on all sides and reframe the debate in a way that builds bridges and doesn’t divide.

Founded in 1984, NCBI International is a nonprofit leadership training organization dedicated to ending the mistreatment of every group, whether it stems from nationality, race, class, gender, religion, sexual orientation, age, physical ability, job or life circumstance. With chapters in nearly 50 cities worldwide, NCBI has dealt with prejudice and conflict in virtually every form. Each chapter is composed of leaders who are trained to provide prevention-based programs to reduce prejudice and intergroup conflict in their communities.

The FSU NCBI campus affiliate is affiliated with NCBI International. Its programs develop principled leaders who examine their own leadership, initiate diversity programs and enter the heat of emotional group conflict to build bridges across difference.

For info, contact Robin V. Wynder, chapter director, in Hitchins 116, at 301-687-4050 or at rwynder@frostburg.edu.

Fulbright U.S. Student Program Grants Offered



Are you a junior interested in doing research or teaching English abroad? The Fulbright U.S. Student Program offers grants each year for final-year undergraduates and recent graduates. Types of awards include Open Study/Research Awards, English Teaching Assistant Awards and Critical Language Enhancement Awards. Grants, usually nine months long, are available to more than 100 countries. Two important requirements for applicants are that they must be U.S. citizens and they must have earned a bachelor's degree by the start of their grant. There is no minimum GPA, but most successful applicants have 3.5 GPAs or higher.

The FSU Fulbright preliminary application deadline is **Sunday, May 1**. The final application deadline is **Tuesday, Oct. 11**.

For info, visit the program website at <https://us.fulbrightonline.org> or contact Dr. Richard Russo, FSU Fulbright Program advisor, at rarusso@frostburg.edu.

Library Spring Break Hours

The library will operate on the following shortened schedule during spring break.

Friday, March 18 – 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, March 19, and Sunday, March 20 – Closed

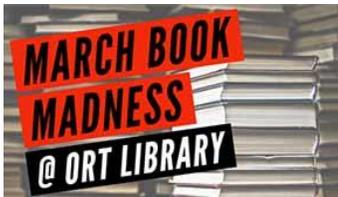
Monday, March 21, through Friday, March 25 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, March 26 – Closed

Regular semester hours will resume on **Sunday, March 27**.

For research help or questions about services and hours, email libref@frostburg.edu.

March Book Madness at Ort Library



March Book Madness is back for 2022! This year's theme is 21st-Century Books.

All month long books go head to head and you determine the winner.

Vote at libguides.frostburg.edu/mbm.

Follow the library [@ortlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/ortlibrary) on Facebook and [@ortlibrary](https://www.instagram.com/ortlibrary) on Instagram for matchups and

winners!

Planetarium Shows Return!



"From Earth to the Universe" is coming to the Planetarium on **March 19**.

Science Saturdays feature space news, a sky tour and a movie and will be held on **March 19** (rescheduled from March 12), **April 9**, **May 7** and **June 4** at 5 and 7 p.m.

The movie for March is "From Earth to the Universe," for April is "Zula Patrol: Down to Earth," for May is "The Dark Matter Mystery" and for June is "The Sun, Our Living Star."

All shows last about an hour. Telescope observing will take place afterwards if conditions are favorable.

There will be no **Wednesday** public shows, but requests are being accepted for private shows.

For info, contact Dr. Jason Speights at jcspeights@frostburg.edu.

Spring Virtual Education Fair



The FSU Career and Professional Development Center will host the Spring Virtual Education Fair on **Monday, March 14**, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Handshake. This fair is for all education majors. There are currently 30+ institutions and employers signed up, and you have the ability to participate in group and/or one-on-one sessions!

See your FSU email for more registration info or register at

https://frostburg.joinhandshake.com/career_fairs/27306/student_preview?token=vRwzqMkZg8V_19kMM50qiI2T7VCyjFADZVbU9q69z1IYJvcrCrAM0g.

Call for Participation for Focus Frostburg



Focus Frostburg 2022: "Learn-In" for A Sustainable Future will take place on **Wednesday, April 20**. Focus Frostburg features programs, discussions and hands-on activities highlighting issues of sustainability and climate awareness. All presentations are open to the campus community and the larger regional community.

This year Focus Frostburg will be a hybrid event including in-person and virtual programming. Virtual presentations will be recorded in advance and uploaded to the Focus Frostburg YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWRE8oJhI9oduNheVYSPeVg>.

Become a Presenter at Focus Frostburg 2022!

Be sure to indicate your preference on proposals. Student presentations make a great class activity. Poster presentations are welcome. Hands-on activities, workshops and demonstrations are strongly encouraged.

To participate, email Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogersthomas@frostburg.edu and submit a presentation/workshop title and one- or two-sentence abstract of your topic. Topics may be varied but should cover a sustainability, environmental or climate awareness issue. In-person sessions are 50 minutes to coincide with class sessions, but multiple presenters can be accommodated in a single session, so participants may want to consider teaming up. If more time is needed, content can be carried over into a second session. In your response, indicate if there is a preferred time of day when you would like to present.

The proposal deadline is **Friday, March 18**.

Undergraduate Research Symposium Coming in May

The in-person 2022 FSU Undergraduate Research Symposium is scheduled for **Friday, May 6**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lane University Center. All FSU undergraduate students who have participated in experiential and investigative projects that are completed as part of course work or independent study in any department and major are welcome to participate in the symposium. Also, every student must have at least one faculty or staff mentor to participate.

The Registration form is due by 5 p.m. on **Friday, March 18**. At least one faculty or staff mentor must be listed for the registration form to be accepted. All students who register for the symposium will receive a separate form they need to use to submit their abstracts, which are due **Friday, April 8**.

For info and/or a Registration form, contact Dr. Karen Keller at kkeller@frostburg.edu.

Deadlines

Attention Teacher Education Candidates!

Online applications for Entrance to Program, Internship I and Internship II for the fall 2022 semester are to be submitted on or before **Friday, March 18**.

For info, email Jennifer Delaney at jjdelaney@frostburg.edu.

Activities for Life

Water Aerobics

Water aerobics will be offered **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from **March 29 through May 5** 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.

This class is geared toward those who want to increase cardiovascular fitness, flexibility and body strength. It is the perfect activity for those with painful joints or other movement limitations. Water aerobics creates good muscle balance, making the muscles limber and strong. The instructor for this class is Kristi Devore.

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

Jobs

Upward Bound Tutor/Counselors and Head Resident

The Upward Bound Program is seeking tutor/counselors (undergraduate) and a head resident (bachelor's degree required) for its summer residential program on FSU's campus (three- and five-week programs). Upward Bound is a federally funded program that encourages qualified Allegany County high school students to seek education beyond secondary school. The summer residential program provides the main focus and aims to provide students with a sample of the college experience. The five-week program is from **Sunday, June 12, through Friday, July 22**, and the three-week program is from **Sunday, June 12, through Friday, July 8** (tentative dates). Both sessions include one week of training. The salary for a three-week tutor/counselor is \$1,300 plus room and board and for a five-week tutor/counselor is \$2,200 plus room and board. The deadline to apply is **Monday, March 28**. Send a letter

expressing your interest and qualifications, a resume, three professional references and an unofficial transcript to esteele@frostburg.edu.

PASS Office Seeks Student Math Coaches

FSU's PASS Office is looking for student coaches for its fall 2022 Developmental Math Program. Earn \$800, receive 3 Educational Field Experience credits and build your resume! Coaches help their peers improve basic math skills by implementing learning programs in pre-algebra and intermediate algebra courses.

Dependable students with strong math, communication and organization skills are encouraged to apply.

Contact Kim Kurek at kmkurek@frostburg.edu for application materials, which are due by **Friday, March 18**.

Study Abroad

Start Planning Your Study Abroad Experience for Spring 2023!

Join the Center for International Education for a Study Abroad Information Session to learn more about program options, requirements and financial aid for overseas experiences. Each virtual session will take place at 3:30 p.m. on the following **Fridays: April 1, 15 and 29**.

Email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu to sign up for the session of your choice.

Health and Safety Messages

Thursday Is St. Patrick's Day!



Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona duit! (Happy St. Patrick's Day to you!)

Remember to eat Irish (shepherd's pie, Irish boxty and Dublin coddle), watch an Irish movie classic ("The Wind That Shakes the Barley"), read like the Irish (James Joyce's "Dubliners") and watch Gaelic hurling and football. And remember the contributions of the Irish (who helped build canals, railroads, cities and infrastructure in the U.S. despite being disenfranchised). But don't drive drunk or it could cost you a pot of gold!

Keep an Eye Out for Safety



Did you know that half of all reported eye injuries happen at home, while people are doing everyday chores like cutting the grass, working in the garage, and cleaning and preparing meals?

When you're cutting the grass, wear safety goggles or safety glasses. Check your lawn before starting the lawnmower, and remove any large sticks, pine cones or other debris that could become a projectile.

Chemicals can irritate eyes: When applying fertilizer or pesticides to your yard – including lime dust or rose dust – wear protective goggles.

Become a label reader. Follow all of the product instructions on power tools you'll be operating, and heed the warnings on the chemical bottles and packaging you're using.

Protect eyes from cleaning products. When you clean your home, remember that bleach, cleaners and other household chemical cleaning products cause at least 125,000 eye injuries each year. Wear eye protection whenever you use these chemicals.

On average, people touch their faces 16 times an hour. Wash your hands after using cleaning chemicals before you touch your eyes or your face.

Prepare foods safely. If you're chopping onions, garlic, hot peppers or other strong ingredients, be sure to wear eye protection. And wash your hands thoroughly before touching your eyes after being in contact with these substances.

Happy, Healthy, Hip Tips From the BURG Peer Education Network



Mental Health Monday Tip: Spring Break Playlist

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/1t4ADGXzgdMxC0chHsElfX>

Tell Yourself Tuesday Tip: Alcohol Myths and Facts

<https://www.wosc.edu/index.php?page=counseling-alcoholism-myths-vs-facts>

Wacky Wednesday Tip: Study St. Patrick's Day

<https://www.history.com/topics/st-patricks-day/history-of-st-patricks-day>

Thankful Thursday Tip: Think Before You Drink

<https://www.brit.co/food/cocktails/spring-mocktails>

Fun Friday Tip: Fun Local Hiking Trails

<https://www.alltrails.com/us/maryland/frostburg>

Social Saturday Tip: Travel With a Purpose: Alternative Spring Break Programs for College Students

<https://grottonetwork.com/navigate-life/health-and-wellness/self-care-things-to-do-over-spring-break>

Self-Love Sunday Tip: Spring Into Some Self-Love

<https://www.meetmindful.com/spring-self-renewal>

VALUES AND VISION: FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

CORE VALUES

Frostburg State University is a place where every student can experience a myriad of opportunities both in and out of the classroom, fostered by a sense of inclusion and close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.

Frostburg State University is committed to developing cultural competence and cultivating understanding of and respect for a diversity of experiences and world views that encourage each person's ability to "take the perspective of the other."

Frostburg State University is committed to a system of shared governance that allows faculty, staff and students to learn about the issues the University confronts and that provides a structure for meaningful input into University decisions.

OUR VISION FOR FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

Frostburg State University is a regionally acclaimed and nationally recognized academic institution that provides distinctive programs to support state and regional workforce needs. Faculty, staff and students foster collaboration in a welcoming and inclusive campus culture.

Students value the opportunities open for them at FSU and form close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff, who are committed to their success and well-being. Students apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to internship, civic engagement, study abroad and research experiences to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

The University is integrated into the fabric of the community as a valued and respected regional asset. We are committed to making changes that secure our future while celebrating the values that reflect our history.

STRATEGIC GOALS

Focus learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge.

Provide engaging experiences that challenge our students to excel.

Expand regional outreach and engagement.

Align University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.

To view FSU's Strategic Plan 2018-2023 online, visit www.frostburg.edu/strategicplan.