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## FSU to Celebrate 155th Commencement Ceremony



From left, **Kyndra Dawson**, **Mackenzie Swift** and **Robert Burns**

FSU will celebrate student achievements of its fall 2019 graduating class with the 155th Commencement ceremony on **Wednesday, Dec. 18**. The ceremony for the colleges of Business, Education, and Liberal Arts and Sciences will take place in the Cordts PE Center's Main Arena at 2 p.m.

University System of Maryland Regent James Holzapfel will confer degrees and FSU President **Ronald Nowaczyk** will address the graduating class and present diplomas. This year's commencement speakers are **Mackenzie Swift** from the College of Business, **Kyndra Dawson** from the College of Education and **Robert Burns** from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Swift, of Oakland, Md., graduates with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in human resource management. She has served as the president of FSU's chapter of the Society for Human Resources Management for the past year and was selected to be in the President's Leadership Circle in 2018-19. She is a member of several honor societies, most notably Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honors Society. She was named the 2019 scholarship winner for the Maryland Daily Record's Top 100 Women of Maryland, chosen out of all female college students in the state. Swift has organized many successful workshops, activities and networking events and has attended multiple leadership retreats, including the Sloop Institute for Excellence in Leadership. She has interned with the Garrett County Board of Education and at First United Bank and Trust. She also uses her time to serve and has been a volunteer mentor to a local elementary school student for the past year.

Dawson, of Mount Savage, Md., graduates with a bachelor's in early childhood/elementary education. She made the Dean's List every semester and was awarded the Hattie M. Strong Foundation "Strong Scholars" Scholarship in 2019. She is an active member of the Frostburg Student Education Association and is an advocate for young children. Dawson has been a teaching assistant at Parkside Elementary School and has served as a teacher intern for kindergarten and second grade at Cash Valley Elementary Professional Development School. Faculty have recognized her diligence and hard work in every task, as she continues to strive for excellence. Her department says, "As an early childhood/elementary major, Kyndra exemplifies a dedicated, compassionate and competent beginning educator."

Burns, of Frederick, Md., graduates with a bachelor's in engineering with a minor in physics. He served as a student worker in FSU's Materials Testing Lab for the past two years, completing projects used to help educate students on mechanical property testing. Burns showcased his skills outside of the classroom by interning with Meggitt Defense Systems and recently traveling to Portland, Ore., to present his group's capstone design project and represent FSU at the Materials Science and Technology Conference. He also served as co-author with **Dr. Zhen Liu** on several graduate-level research projects and is working with the Physics and Engineering Department to improve learning for his peers. Burns has had to overcome many obstacles to obtain his success, according to department chair Dr. Eric Moore. "Robert has shown the world of experiences FSU offers to students who are willing to persist and grab hold of opportunities they can get no place else," Moore said. Burns has secured a job with the U.S. Department of the Navy.

Provost **Dr. Elizabeth Throop**; **Dr. Sudhir Singh**, dean of the College of Business; **Dr. Boyce Williams**, interim dean of the College of Education; and **Dr. Kim Hixson**, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, will present candidates for degrees.

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Tickets are required to attend. For info about commencement, visit [www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement](http://www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement).

The ceremony will also be streamed live online. For the livestream link, visit [www.frostburg.edu](http://www.frostburg.edu) on the day of commencement. An overflow viewing area showing the livestreamed broadcast will be available in the Lane University Center Loft near Starbucks. No tickets are required at this location.

Graduates and families are encouraged to share photos of favorite Commencement moments on social media by tagging them with the hashtag #FrostburgGRAD.

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**President's Holiday Reception**

**Monday, Dec. 16**

2 to 4 p.m., Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall of  
Lane University Center

**The FSU Chamber Singers**, directed by  
**Dr. Scott Rieker**, will perform at 2 p.m.

This year's featured charity –  
**Maryland Charity Campaign**  
Make your donation to MCC at the party!

**"Most Outlandish" Holiday Sweater Contest** returns!  
The winner will be announced **Thursday, Dec. 19**.

**Toys for Happiness!**  
The Office of Civic Engagement's AmeriCorps program  
will collect unwrapped toys for local children in need.

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## Theatre

### Theatre and Dance Continues Season Into Spring

FSU's Department of Theatre and Dance will continue its production season during the spring 2020 semester with three exciting offerings.

"The Whipping Man," directed by **Mairzy Yost-Rushton**, takes place just after the Civil War. When a man returns to his family home badly injured, he finds two former slaves. Together, the men prepare the table for a Seder that takes on new meaning in their changed world. Performances run **Friday, Feb. 28, through Saturday, March 7, 2020**.

In April, the annual Spring Dance Concert will feature a montage of dance styles that celebrate the art and passion of human movement, choreographed and danced by the FSU Dance Company with direction and original choreography by **Jamie McGreevy**. Performances will take place **Friday, April 17, and Saturday, April 18**, at 7:30 pm.

Ending the 2019-2020 season is "Martin and Margaret and the M.I.N.D.S.W.A.P." On the brink of World War II, a genius professor invents the ultimate spy device that leads to a brain-swapping machine and mistaken identities. Performances of this family-friendly comedy directed by **Darrell Rushton** run **Friday, May 1, through Saturday, May 9**.

For info about how to create academic connections between classes and productions, call the Theatre and Dance box office at 301-687-7462.

Tickets for all performances are available through FSU's website at [www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance](http://www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance).

## Music

Unless otherwise noted, performances will take place in Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

### FSU Student Alexandra Hill Performing Senior Flute Recital

FSU student **Alexandra Hill** will present her senior flute recital on **Monday, Dec. 9**, at 7:30 p.m. She will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen** and student guest artists **Samantha Donaldson**, soprano, and **Kyla Nauman** on the flute.

Hill will play "Grave," "Vivace," "Adagio" and "Allegro" from "Fantasia No. 2 in A Minor" by George Phillip Telemann; "Concertino, Op. 107" by Cécile Chaminade; "Town Light" by Yuko Uebayashi; "Three Irish Folksong Settings" by John Corigliano; "Beverly" by Ian Clarke; and "Carmen Fantasy" by François Borne.

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Telemann's "12 fantasias à traversière sans basse" or "12 Fantasias for Solo Flute" were published in 1732-33. The solo flute fantasias are alone in the Baroque repertoire to include movements seemingly impossible on the flute: fugues (fantasias 2, 6 and 8 through 11), a French overture (fantasia 7) and a passacaglia (fantasia 5).

Chaminade composed "Flute Concertino in D Major, Op. 107" in 1902 for flute and piano. The concertino was commissioned presumably as an examination piece for flute students by the Paris Conservatoire, where the celebrated French flautist and teacher Paul Taffanel, to whom it was dedicated, taught.

Uebayashi has a distinct compositional style that combines French impressionist music and Japanese film music. In particular, she is inspired by landscapes, light and paintings. Her 1997 piece, "Town Light," is based on images of light at night. In her program notes she states that "The lights that are getting turned on in a scene while the sun is going down. ... It's nostalgic."

In 1988, Corigliano explored the more poetic side of Irish flute music in "Three Irish Folksong Settings" of folk or folk-like texts by W.B. Yeats, Padraic Colum and an anonymous author.

"Beverley" is a simple, melodic, plaintive lament that Clarke composed in 2011. It eloquently explores a vast array of the flute's tone-coloring abilities. The piece is of moderate tempo with long arching phrases shaped by the highly expressive melody.

One of the best of Borne's works is "Fantaisie brillante (on themes from Bizet's 'Carmen')" written in 1900. In about 12 rapidly paced minutes, Borne runs through many of the themes from this popular opera.

## MCTA to Host Holiday Concert With Joe Newberry and April Verch



**Joe Newberry and April Verch**

FSU's Mountain City Traditional Arts will host a holiday concert featuring Joe Newberry and April Verch in "Music of the Season From the Ottawa Valley to the Ozarks," on **Saturday, Dec. 14**, at 4 p.m. at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The live entertainment is free and open to the public with a suggested donation of \$15.

Newberry and Verch are masters of their traditions. With beautiful harmony singing, breathtaking instrumentals and exquisite dancing, these two hit the stage in perfect rhythm, performing tunes, ballads, step dancing and original songs by way of Canada and the Ozarks.

Newberry, from the Missouri Ozarks, and Verch, from Ottawa Valley, absorbed traditions of home and hearth. The holidays have always been a special time of year for both, so every year the duo sets out in a modern-day sleigh (with four-wheel drive) to perform their holiday tour. Original songs join timeless hymns, along with lively fiddle and banjo numbers combined with traditional dance steps, to illustrate when people made their own fun at the holidays, and all year long.

Newberry grew up in a family full of singers and dancers. He took up the guitar and banjo as a teenager and learned fiddle tunes from great Missouri fiddlers. Verch grew up listening to her dad's country band play for dances in the Ottawa Valley. She started step dancing at age 3 and fiddling at age 6. Both Newberry and Verch became masters of their traditions and tour the world with their respective bands and projects, yet they never forget the roots of their music, that connection to the people in the audience and to the community sparked by a good song.

For info, email MCTA at [mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com](mailto:mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com), call 301-687-8040 or like Mountain City Traditional Arts on Facebook.

## Visual Arts

### FSU's Roper Gallery Presents BFA Thesis Exhibition

A Bachelor of Fine Arts Thesis Exhibition featuring FSU seniors' artwork will be on display in FSU's Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery until **Wednesday, Dec. 11**. Presented by FSU's Department of Visual Arts, the display will feature works in a range of media from seniors **Aden Cornett, Samuel Fike, Dalten Fisher, Ashley Jones, Natasha Powell** and **Sarah Thomas**.

The gallery will showcase works of painting, graphic design, illustration, sculpture and photography. The exhibit offers a unique opportunity to see firsthand the work of six young artists as they start their journey toward a career in the visual arts.

Cornett of Prince Georges County graduated from Nova Academy in 2015. He studies illustration and photography with a dual minor in art history and fine arts. Cornett's work focuses on bringing light to the spiritual and physical nature of humanity.

Fike of Garrett County graduated from Pleasant Valley Christian Academy and received his associate degree from Garrett College. His studio focuses in the BFA program are photography and graphic design. Fike is well-versed in computer graphics and digital media.

Fisher of Allegany County graduated from Mountain Ridge High School. He is an art and design major with a dual focus in illustration and painting. Fisher's art varies greatly in style, but shares similar subject matter and color palettes. His paintings are more abstract, while his illustrations are more meticulous and structured.

Jones of Allegany County will graduate with both a BFA in art and design with a studio focus in illustration and a minor in art history and a BS in psychology.

Powell of Calvert County graduated from Huntington High School in 2014. Her studio focuses are graphic design and illustration, with minors in art history and fine arts. Her illustrations and graphics are playful in nature and employ a wide range of color. Powell recently won first place in the FSU President's Exhibition for her Andy Warhol-inspired triptych.

Thomas majors in art and design with a studio focus in photography and double minors in art history and graphic design. She is a Bobcat Ambassador and the vice president of PR and Recruitment for the national sorority Alpha Sigma Alpha. Thomas' photography focuses on portraits shown in a conceptual, thought-provoking light. She finds great inspiration from people and everyday objects that she can transform into something meaningful.

The exhibition is free and open to the public.

The Roper Gallery, in FSU's Fine Arts Building, is open Sundays through Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. For info, contact the Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797.

## Points of Pride

### MSN Program Re-accredited

The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education Board of Commissioners recently re-accredited FSU's master's degree program in nursing for 10 years, extending to **Dec. 31, 2029**. All four concentrations, including education, leadership and management, family nurse practitioner, and psychiatric and mental health nurse practitioner, were granted accreditation. This was the first time CCNE reviewed the NP concentrations.

### FSU Student Calvin Richards to Serve on AAPA Panel



**Calvin Richards** of Hagerstown, a student in FSU's physician assistant (PA) program, was selected from thousands of PA students across the country as one of 18 to participate in the American Academy of Physician Assistant (AAPA) House of Delegates National Conference in May 2020. The House of Delegates establishes policies and guides the direction of the AAPA Academy each year.

Richards has served as a naturopathic medical doctor, providing medical care to underserved communities and focusing in LGBT health. He already holds a doctorate in naturopathic medicine and a master's degree in biomedical science. With a strong interest in policy and leadership, a desire to do more for his patients and decrease barriers to medical care, he decided to pursue his master's in physician assistant studies in the FSU

program.

After the conference, Richards will be able to share the resolutions discussed and provide new insight to Frostburg's PA program.

For info about FSU's PA program, visit [www.frostburg.edu/PA](http://www.frostburg.edu/PA).

### FSU Police Get Scruffy for a Good Cause



The FSU Police Department joined other members of Allegany County Law Enforcement in growing their beards to raise money for Fort Hill High School student Ben Starr, who is undergoing aggressive cancer treatment. FSUPD's No-Shave November this year was dedicated to Starr in his battle against T-cell lymphoblastic lymphoma. The officers raised \$625 to support Starr in his treatment. Pictured from left are **Sgt. Dale Lewis, Cpl. Tyler Mazer, Sgt. Tom Bevan, FSU Police Chief Cynthia Smith, Sr. Cpl. Roy McKenzie, Sr. Cpl. Richard Lemro, Cpl. Patrick Livingston** and **Sr. Cpl. Daniel Dunn**.

### FSU Community Collects Nearly 4,000 Pounds of Food



A number of the 123 baskets of food collected at FSU await distribution to local families.

FSU faculty, staff and students joined together to collect 123 baskets of food – 3,936 pounds total – and \$1,855 in gift cards to give to local families in need. In all, food baskets were delivered to 104 families, with the remaining baskets sent to the Western Maryland Food Bank to distribute to other families. FSU has conducted the Sponsor-a-Family Thanksgiving Baskets for about 20 years.

For info about volunteer efforts at FSU, contact the Office of Civic Engagement at 301-687-4210 or visit [www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/civic-engagement](http://www.frostburg.edu/student-community-involvement/civic-engagement).

### FSU Students Compete in MAD Geography Bowl



From left, **Sara Hughes, Cassie Conklin** (World Geography Bowl champion team member, 2019), **Trevor Forman, Alex Donley, Donja Dorsey** and **Alex Scott**

On Nov. 15, 10 Geography students traveled to the USGS Water Science Center in Catonsville, Md., for the Mid-Atlantic Division (MAD) Meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG). Six of these students represented FSU in the MAD Geography Bowl competition, with two students (**Alex Donley** and **Alex Scott**) earning top honors, being offered a position to represent MAD at the World Geography Bowl

competition in Denver in April 2020. The FSU Geography Bowl team was organized by **Alexander Corbin** (World Geography Bowl champion team member, 2019) and **Tracy Edwards**, MAD Geography Bowl coordinator.

A Discover Your Downtown raffle (featuring gift cards to Frostburg businesses) is currently being sold by the Geography Club to assist with funding to attend the International AAG Conference in April. If interested in purchasing tickets, contact Cassie Conklin (Geography Club president, [cconklin0@frostburg.edu](mailto:cconklin0@frostburg.edu)) or Edwards ([tedwards@frostburg.edu](mailto:tedwards@frostburg.edu)).

## Take Note

### Department of Theatre and Dance Hosts Mountain Maryland Theatre Festival



During the first annual Mountain Maryland Theatre Festival, alum *Danny Durr* presented workshops on Broadway dance.

FSU's Department of Theatre and Dance will host the second Mountain Maryland Theatre Festival, an annual event designed for students in grades 8 through 12, on **Friday, Jan. 10**, and **Saturday, Jan. 11, 2020**, at FSU's Pealer Center.

This year's theme is "Theatre Is My Sport" in recognition of the commitment and skill it takes to be a theatre artist.

The festival promises an exciting lineup of events for theatre artists in acting, design and technology, and stage management. It will feature professional workshops; one-act and scene presentations; a fun Tech Olympics challenge; adjudication in acting, stage management, and design and technology; a dance party; a keynote address; and an awards ceremony.

Notable FSU alumni will return to share their expertise during the festival. Once again, this year's keynote speaker will be Cumberland native and FSU Theatre alum, *Justin Seward*, the assistant properties master of the prestigious Huntington Theatre in Boston, which won a Regional Theatre Tony Award in 2013.

The cost of the festival is \$40 through **Monday, Dec. 16**. Registrants will receive meals and a festival T-shirt.

The Mountain Maryland Theatre Festival is sponsored by FSU's Department of Theatre and Dance, the FSU Foundation and the Allegany Arts Council.

For info, contact FSU's Department of Theatre and Dance at 301-687-4145 or [theatreanddance@frostburg.edu](mailto:theatreanddance@frostburg.edu). Online registration is available at [www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance](http://www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance). For highlights of last year's festival, visit <https://youtu.be/jE4ZxnyTEkA>.

### Donate a Meal to a Fellow Student in Need



Have extra meals that you'd like to donate to a fellow student in need? Frostburg Dining's Save a Swipe program allows meal plan holders to donate a meal to a student facing food insecurity. Donated swipes allow students to eat in Chesapeake Dining Hall. To donate, visit <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNLQTOXNfo-zTfTiouPVv8dIWc7JdW4iOpZ39JMIY4zKzcA/viewform?fbzx=-5914684255574353093>. For questions about receiving donated meals, contact the PAWS Pantry.

12 days of Starbucks continues until the end of the semester. Be sure to check out the specials!

For info, contact Tiaju Mccalup at [tiaju.mccalup@compass-usa.com](mailto:tiaju.mccalup@compass-usa.com).

### Participate in Senior Class Gift and Get Philanthropy Cords!



The Senior Class Gift is a way to commemorate your graduation and the first step to starting your legacy of alumni engagement. Graduating seniors are encouraged to pay it forward by giving back to the fund that is meaningful to them. Commemorate this significant occasion with a gift of \$20 and receive a gold, silver and bronze philanthropy cord – a special adornment to wear at graduation! **Make your gift [here](#).**

Philanthropy cords can be picked up on **Tuesday, Dec. 10**, at the Alumni Association table during the Grad Fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### Presenting Craft-the-Cap Contest



The Student Alumni Ambassadors present the Craft-the-Cap Contest! December grads, you've got the chance to win an FSU alumni swag basket. To enter the contest, post a public picture of your decorated cap on your Facebook, Twitter or Instagram account tagged #craftthecap by noon on **Monday, Dec. 16**. FSU alumni will have 24 hours to vote on their favorite cap, and the winner will be announced on **Tuesday, Dec. 17**, at noon on the Alumni Association Facebook page. For info, email [brkirchner@frostburg.edu](mailto:brkirchner@frostburg.edu).

### Ort Library End-of-Semester Hours

The Ort Library will extend hours for the remainder of the semester during the last week of classes and final exams. Extended hours run through **Monday, Dec. 16**.

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## End-of-Semester Hours

- **Monday, Dec. 9, through Thursday, Dec. 12** – 7:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.
- **Friday, Dec. 13** – 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 14** – 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- **Sunday, Dec. 15** – 10 a.m. to 2 a.m.
- **Monday, Dec. 16** – 7:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 17, through Thursday, Dec. 19** – 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The library will be closed for Winter Recess, **Friday, Dec. 20, through Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020**. The Library will reopen **Thursday, Jan. 2**, with an adjusted Intersession schedule of Mondays through Fridays, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays, 1 to 6 p.m. The library will be closed **Saturdays in January**.

Library hours are posted on the Library website at [www.frostburg.edu/library](http://www.frostburg.edu/library) and [libguides.frostburg.edu/libhours](http://libguides.frostburg.edu/libhours).

For info, contact the Library Main Desk during open hours at 301-687-4395 or by email at [circulation@frostburg.edu](mailto:circulation@frostburg.edu). Online resources remain accessible via the library's website at [www.frostburg.edu/library](http://www.frostburg.edu/library), and online chat research help is available 24/7 through AskUsNow even when the library is closed.

Need help getting started on your final projects? Schedule a consultation with a research librarian. Email [libref@frostburg.edu](mailto:libref@frostburg.edu) or call 301-687-4424.

Also, library staff remind everyone not to leave belongings unattended during this busy time, even if only for a short period. Also observe the space and noise policies designated for each of the Library's four public floors:

- Second Floor: Quiet group and individual study/individual computer stations/group study rooms
- Third Floor: Quiet group and individual study/individual computer stations
- Fourth Floor: Individual silent study
- Fifth Floor: Group study/group computer stations/group study rooms/individual study rooms

More information about the library's study spaces, collections and policies can be found at [www.frostburg.edu/library](http://www.frostburg.edu/library), and the full library Code of Conduct is available at <http://libguides.frostburg.edu/circulation/conduct>.

## Special Collections Exhibiting Memorabilia Donated by Alum Ricky Arnold



David M. Gillespie Special Collections is exhibiting memorabilia donated by Frostburg State College Class of 1985 alumnus and NASA astronaut **Ricky Arnold**. Shortly after his first mission to the International Space Station in 2009, Arnold donated several items to FSU that went to space on behalf of the University. The items include the mission patch, FSU hat and an autographed banner, along with articles, photographs and information about Arnold's time as a student at FSC and career with NASA. Arnold recently spoke at the FSU commencement in May. The exhibit will be up during **November and December** on the fourth floor of the Lewis J. Ort Library.

For info, contact Yelizaveta Zakharova at [ylzakharova@frostburg.edu](mailto:ylzakharova@frostburg.edu).

## Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Solicits Proposals for Multicultural Center

The University Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is soliciting proposals for the development of a Multicultural Center in the former Lincoln School building (which previously housed University Police).

All proposals should support the mission of the council:

The mission of the University Council for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is to promote harmonious human interaction that results in a campus community where we value and embrace our genders, our races/ethnicities, our languages, our sexual orientations, our ages, our faiths, our cultural and social class contexts, and our intellectual and physical abilities.

The building is around 2,500 square feet, and applicants should submit proposals that can be reasonably accommodated in the current space.

Proposals should include the following:

- Proposed Multicultural Center Name
- Executive Summary and Benefits

- Mission and Vision
- Goals and Objectives
- Anticipated Outcomes

Proposals may also include some or all references to the following:

- Staffing/Advisory Board
  - Faculty/Staff Engagement
  - Student Engagement
- Programming
- Marketing
- Equipment/Furniture/Decorating Requirements
- Floor Plan
- Research and References

Proposals will be accepted through **Tuesday, Dec. 17**. UCDEI will review and consider all proposals and make recommendations to the president and executive council. The completed Multicultural Center may reflect multiple proposals.

Submit proposals to [UCDEI@frostburg.edu](mailto:UCDEI@frostburg.edu), care of the co-chairs, Dr. Jennifer Earles and Robin Wynder.

## Graduation Is Right Around the Corner!

Graduation is coming up soon on **Wednesday, Dec. 18**, in the Cordts PE Center.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Colleges of Business and Education will both present their graduates at 2 p.m. **Tickets will be required for admission. Each graduating student will be allotted four tickets.**

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

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement web page at [www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement](http://www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement). For info, email [commencement@frostburg.edu](mailto:commencement@frostburg.edu).

## Deadlines

### Last Day for Grad Students to Remove Incomplete Grades

The last day for graduate/post-graduate students to remove incomplete grades for the spring 2019 and summer 2019 semesters is **Monday, Dec. 9**.

## Study Abroad

### Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



**Nnamdi-Raphael Okoye: Spain, Fall 2018-Spring 2019**

**Photo taken in Morocco**

FSU students have the opportunity to study abroad all over the world.

Financial aid can be used for overseas experiences during the fall and spring semesters.

Exchange programs are available that allow students to pay FSU tuition prices.

For info, contact Kara Hotchkiss at [kjhotchkiss@frostburg.edu](mailto:kjhotchkiss@frostburg.edu) or 301-687-4747.

### Berlin Study Abroad Experience to Be Offered Next Spring



FSU’s Department of Sociology and the Women’s Studies Program will offer a study abroad opportunity, “Berlin: The City Experience,” next spring **from Saturday, March 14, through Friday, March 20** (dates subject to change). This event, which is open to all FSU students, will be led by **Dr. Jennifer Earles**, an assistant professor in the Department of Sociology.

Berlin’s storied past is firmly embedded in a vibrant contemporary culture. Stand in the former Nazi headquarters one moment, and navigate the city’s eco-friendly infrastructure the next. Since

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the fall of the Berlin Wall, this city has evolved into one of the most eclectic, exciting and multicultural communities in Europe. Discover the many ways to contemplate the past, enjoy the present and dream of the future.

This trip is being held in conjunction with SOCI 490/WMST 490 Gender and the City, a 3-credit course in which students will explore how gendered power relations shape urban spaces and who benefits from the opportunities and pleasure of urban life. The course will be offered during the spring 2020 semester with Earles. Students will travel abroad during spring break.

For info, contact Kara Hotchkiss at 301-687-4747 or [kjhotchkiss@frostburg.edu](mailto:kjhotchkiss@frostburg.edu).

## Study Abroad in Spring 2021: England and Wales



### RECR 490 Global Perspectives in Sport and Recreation Management

Develop a global perspective by gaining insight from practitioners on the production of sport and recreation events and activities in an international context.

As part of the nine-day trip, students will meet undergrads from the UK and share ideas about contemporary sport and recreation issues; experience professional soccer (football) and rugby; stay at a converted former hunting lodge of the Duke of Sutherland and rub shoulders with elite athletes; learn about government-funded local, regional and national sport and recreation projects; tour the beautiful North Wales coastline; and take in the historic sights and sounds of London.

**Dr. Martin Barrett**, an instructor in the Department of Kinesiology and Recreation, will lead the group. For info, contact him in the Cordts PE Center or at [mbarrett@frostburg.edu](mailto:mbarrett@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.

## Candles are pretty, but they're still open flames!



**Keep lit candles at least 12 inches away from surrounding objects.**

**Trim wicks to a quarter of an inch before you light them.**

**Only let candles burn for one hour for every inch of diameter, so the wax can melt evenly.**

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### 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.



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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](http://www.frostburg.edu/strategicplan).