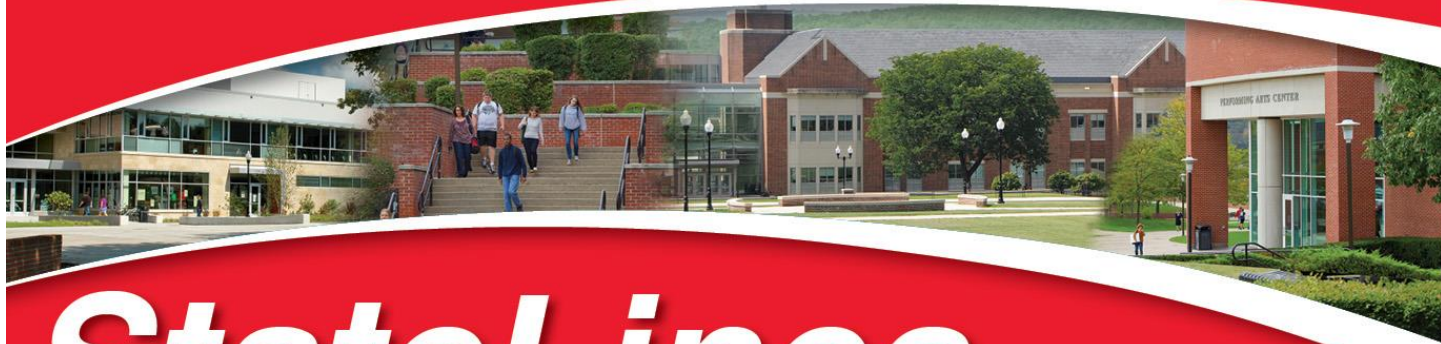




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## FSU's Theatre and Dance to Stage 'To Kill a Mockingbird'



From left, Matthew Clark as Jem, Maureen Groff as Scout and Matthan Potts as Dill in "To Kill a Mockingbird"

Theatre and Dance at FSU will present a theatrical performance of Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel "To Kill a Mockingbird" on **Friday, Feb. 26**, and **Saturday, Feb. 27**, and **Thursday, March 3, through Saturday, March 5**, at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee on **Feb. 27** at 2 p.m. All performances will take place in the PAC Drama Theatre.

Scout is a young girl in the summer of 1935 when her sleepy Alabama town erupts in a storm of intolerance, anger and fear. Tom Robinson – a poor black man – has been accused of attacking a white woman, and it is up to Scout's father, Atticus Finch, to defend him against the charges.

Adapted for the stage by Christopher Sergel and directed by Jennifer Goff, "To Kill a Mockingbird" is a courtroom drama, a coming-of-age story and a reminder to us all that the hard and important work of human decency is never over.

Tickets are \$6 for all students and \$12 for the general public. Group discounts are available when booked in advance.

For reservations and info, call the Theatre and Dance box office at 301-687-7462 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m.

## TopMastersInEducation.com Lists FSU's Master's in Special Education Among Top 50 Best Value Residential Programs



TopMastersInEducation.com, an online independent guide to earning a master's in education degree, recently ranked FSU number 28 of the 50 top schools that offer residential master's in special education degree programs in the United States for the 2015-2016 academic year.

Schools and programs were evaluated based on publicly available information about accreditation, academic quality, student satisfaction, reputation in the field and cost. TopMastersInEducation.com Best Value rankings were designed to help prospective students make a smart choice about where to invest their time and money in earning their degree.

The ranking is based on the full-time enrollment cost of attendance at public four-year colleges or universities. The cost of attendance is based on room and board, tuition, fees, books and transportation for in-state full-time graduate students living on campus who started the program in fall 2015. TopMastersInEducation.com calculated the cost of attendance for in-state students of FSU's master's in special education at \$21,000.

The degree program at FSU is a 39-42-credit hour M.Ed. program. Prospective students must undergo an interview process, have a bachelor's degree and a valid teacher certificate and submit writing samples and letters of recommendation. Students can choose from two levels of specialization – grades 1-8 or grades 6-12. FSU is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

## Music

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

### Well-Strung to Open Spring On the EDGE Series



Student Activities, in collaboration with CES at FSU, will open the spring On the EDGE series at FSU with the string quartet Well-Strung on **Thursday, March 3**, at 8:15 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

A New York City-based all-male quartet, Well-Strung derives its unique blend of vocals and strings by fusing classical music with the pop music of today. In its review, the New York Times said the group “brilliantly fuses pop and classical music from Madonna to Beethoven.”

On the EDGE is FSU’s exciting new underground club series. Performances feature informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and snack and beverage options. After each performance, patrons are encouraged to mingle as the venue transitions into the relaxed social environment of The After Room.

On the EDGE tickets are \$15. To order, call 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137 or visit [ces.frostburg.edu](http://ces.frostburg.edu).

### Wind Ensemble Music to Cross Time and Space

The FSU Wind Ensemble, under the direction of *Dr. Philip Klickman*, will present music that crosses time and space in its concert on **Saturday, March 5**, at 7:30 p.m. After opening with “A Festival Prelude” by Alfred Reed, the band will highlight the Civil Rights movement in 20th-century America with “A Movement for Rosa,” by Mark Camphouse, which is a musical tone poem based on the life of Rosa Parks. The ensemble will next focus on the United Kingdom, with music from “Riverdance” by Bill Whelan and “Prelude, Siciliano and Rondo” by Malcolm Arnold, then on 19th-century Germany, with “Blessed Are They,” a transcription of the first movement of “A German Requiem” by Johannes Brahms.

### Moby Dick to Take Center Stage in High School Honor Band Concert

The annual High School Honor Band Festival will take place on **Saturday, March 5**, and **Sunday, March 6**, on FSU’s campus, with the weekend’s activities culminating in the High School Honor Band Concert hosted by FSU’s Music Department on **March 6** at 3 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. Ishmael, Ahab and the white whale Moby Dick will dominate this year’s concert, where its centerpiece will be “Of Sailors and Whales” by Frances McBeth, based on Herman Melville’s novel, “Moby Dick.” The program will also include “Toccata (After Frescobaldi)” by Gaspar Cassado, “Rushmore” by Alfred Reed and “Visions of Flight” by Robert Sheldon.

### MCTA to Present Irish Traditional Music Trio



A powerhouse of Irish traditional music, The Truckley Howl, consisting of John Blake, Mairead Hurley and Nathan Gourley, will perform at Mountain City Traditional Arts at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg on **Tuesday, March 8**, at 7 p.m. The program is open to the public; a \$15 donation is suggested.

Blake is a traditional Irish flute player, guitarist and pianist. A former member of the traditional group Teada, he has performed and recorded with Irish musicians John Carty, Paddy Glackin, Noel Hill, Liam O’Flynn, Jesse Smith, Harry Bradley, Colm Gannon, The Kane Sisters and James Kelly.

Hurley is from Ballymote, County Sligo, and won the All-Ireland Concertina Senior Championships at the Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann in 2006. She has been playing since she was four years old.

Gourley is one of America’s most highly regarded young players of traditional Irish music. He started playing music at age five. While living in Minnesota, he collaborated with renowned musician Paddy O’Brien of Chulrua. Gourley plays at concerts, ceilis, sessions and festivals in Boston and throughout the U.S. and Ireland.

For info, call 301-687-8040.

### Cheranjana Thuyacontha to Perform Junior Recital



Soprano *Cheranjana Thuyacontha* will perform her junior recital on **Sunday, Feb. 21**, at 3 p.m. She will be accompanied by *Dr. Jay DeWire* on piano.

Thuyacontha will perform “Das Veilchen” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, “Rastlose Liebe” by Franz Schubert, “Va godendo vezzoso e bello” from “Serse” by Georg Friedrich Händel, “Perdonate signor mio” from “Il Matrimonio” by Domenico Cimarosa, “Oh! Had I Jubal’s Lyre” from “Joshua” by Handel, “Sure on This Shining Night” by Samuel Barber, “Silver Aria” by Douglas Moore and “The Year’s at the Spring” by Amy Beach.

After intermission, she will continue with “L’heure exquise” by Reynaldo Hahn, “Air Viř” by Francis Poulenc, “Chanson d’amour” by Gabriel Fauré, “La manola de Madrid” by Rafael Taboada Mantilla, “Lagrimas mias” from “El anillo de hierro” by Miguel Marques, “Cantilena” by Joaquin Turina, “In uomini in soldati” and “Bester Jüngling” by Mozart and “La pastorella” by Gioachino Rossini.

## Junior Flute Recital by Bonnie Brashear



The Department of Music will present **Bonnie Brashear** in her junior flute recital on **Saturday, Feb. 27**, at 7 p.m. She will be accompanied by **Dr. Jay DeWire** on piano.

Brashear’s selections will include “Sonata in C Major” by Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach, “Fantasia in E Minor” by Georg Philipp Telemann, “Sonata for Flute and Piano” by Robert Muczynski, “The Great Train Race” by Ian Clarke and “Sonate pout Flûte et Piano” by Francis Poulenc.

## Guitarist Garrett Yoder in Junior Recital

Junior **Garrett Yoder** will perform his guitar recital on **Sunday, Feb. 28**, at 7 p.m. He will be accompanied by **Greg Hays** and **Charlie Engleka** on guitars.

Yoder’s program will include “La Rose, Op. 46, No. 9” and “La Tarantella, Op. 24b, No. 14” by Mauro Giulian; “Usher Waltz, Op. 29” by Nikita Koshkin; “Julia Florida” by Agustin Barrios; “Yamour” by Andrew York; “Dragonborn” from “Skyrim” by Jeremy Soule, arranged by Yoder; and “The Legend of Zelda Suite,” including “Overworld Theme,” “Lost Woods” and “Gerudo Valley” by Koji Kondo, arranged by **Patrick Sise**.

## Presentations

### Dr. Ari Kelman to Discuss Dakota War in Context of American Civil War



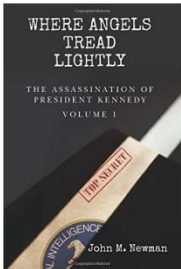
FSU’s Department of History will host Dr. Ari Kelman, who will present “The Dakota 38: Remembering the Civil War as an Indian War,” on **Wednesday, Feb. 17**, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). This event is free and open to the public.

On December 26, 1862, federal authorities dispatched to the frontier outpost of Mankato, Minn., oversaw the largest public execution in U.S. history: the hanging of 38 members of the Dakota tribe. This explosion of violence on the borderlands was the pivotal event in what later became known as the Dakota War, a multiyear fight that left hundreds of soldiers, settlers and Native Americans dead and millions of dollars’ worth of property in ruins. Kelman, a historian at Penn State University, will place the Dakota War in the context of the American Civil War, suggesting that these two conflicts, long understood as entirely separate, were actually inextricably intertwined – part of a broader struggle over the relationship between empire and liberty in the mid-19th century.

Kelman is the McCabe Greer Professor of History at Penn State University, where he teaches a wide range of history courses. He has written several books and received numerous awards and grants, most notably from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Huntington Library. He is working on a book tentatively titled “For Liberty and Empire: How the Civil War Bled Into the Indian Wars.”

For info, contact Dr. Sally Boniece at [sboniece@frostburg.edu](mailto:sboniece@frostburg.edu).

### Political Science Department Presents Historian Dr. John Newman



FSU’s Department of Political Science and the FSU Politics, Law and Society Club will host **Dr. John Newman** on **Wednesday, Feb. 24**, at 7 p.m. in Gira Center 397. Newman will present a public lecture, which will be followed by a Q&A session.

Newman is a former Army Intelligence officer, an expert in Far Eastern studies, a scholar of Christian theology and comparative religions, an author and a historian whose research has led to revelations about America’s hidden histories. An executive assistant to the director of the National Security Agency from 1988 to 1990, he appeared before various subcommittees of the U.S. House of Representatives to testify and/or make presentations on U.S. government agencies’ compliance with classified records release laws and the performance of the 911 Commission. He is also the author of “JFK and Vietnam,” “Oswald and the CIA” and “Quest for the Kingdom: The Secret Teachings of Jesus in the Light of Yogic Mysticism.”

Newman taught at the University of Maryland Honors College from 1995 to 2012, was a consultant and contributor to PBS Frontline and has been a political science professor at James Madison University since January 2013. He recently published the first in a series of volumes on the JFK assassination. “The Assassination of President Kennedy, Where Angels Tread Lightly, Volume 1” is a scholarly examination of events that go back to WWII, the Office of Strategic Services and the early evolution of the CIA, as well as to Castro’s assumption of power in Cuba in 1959. This work retraces the paths taken by many of the key players who became entangled in the CIA’s plots to overthrow Castro and the development of the myth that Castro was responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy.

For info, contact Dr. Scott Johnson at 301-687-7432 or [sjohnson@frostburg.edu](mailto:sjohnson@frostburg.edu).

### Academic Enrichment Series – Academic Strategies Week

Want more information and hands-on experience designing an Academic Strategy Plan in PAWS? **Beth Stallings**, the director of Freshman Advising in the Center for Academic Advising and Retention, will give two presentations on **Tuesday, Feb. 16**, and



**Thursday, Feb. 18**, both from 1 to 2 p.m. in Gira Center 127A. Learn how to easily create a plan that will help you focus and achieve good academic standing. If you want an extra tool to help you calculate potential grades and improve your GPA, then this workshop is for you. If you are on academic warning or probation, an Academic Strategy Plan is required.

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

## Appalachian Laboratory Spring Visiting Scholar Seminar Series

Dr. Jasmine Crumsey, Cornell University, will present “Detecting Signals of Ecological Responses in the California Vole (*Microtus californicus*) to Environmental Change Through the Stable Isotope Analysis of Museum Collections” on **Thursday, Feb. 25**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. All sessions are free and open to the public. For info, go to [www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule](http://www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule).

## Visual Arts

### Comic Artist to Display Works at FSU



FSU will host an exhibit featuring illustrations by Dennis Calero **through Sunday, Feb. 28** in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery of FSU’s Fine Arts building. Calero is a prolific comic artist whose works have appeared in publications by DC, Marvel and Dark Horse Comics. This event is free and open to the public.

The Roper Gallery is open Sundays through Fridays from noon to 4 p.m. Artwork featured will include digital prints and inked originals.

Calero is an award-winning writer and artist who helped develop “Xmen Noir” for Marvel Comics. He has worked on DC and Dark Horse Comics as well as entertainment projects for CBS Films, Weed Road Pictures and famed horror writer Stephen King. He also adapted “The Martian Chronicles” by Ray Bradbury as a graphic novel for Hill & Wang and has created illustrations for “Dungeons & Dragons” and “Magic: The Gathering.” Calero is writing two projects for Dark Horse Comics that he will illustrate.

For info, contact FSU’s Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797.

## Points of Pride

### Cheranjana Thuyacontha Wins Eastern Division Level of MTNA Young Artist Competition



Cheranjana Thuyacontha with voice professor Dr. Mariana Mihai-Zoeter

FSU senior **Cheranjana Thuyacontha** recently won the Eastern Division level of the Music Teachers National Association Young Artist competition held at Rowan University in Glassboro, N.J. Thuyacontha, of Silver Spring, Md., won the Maryland State level of the competition in September and will compete in April in the final National level of the competition in San Antonio.

A soprano, Thuyacontha is from the voice studio of Dr. Mariana Mihai-Zoeter and expects to receive her bachelor’s degree in music, with a concentration in vocal performance, in fall 2016.

## Take Note

### Having Your Say: FSU Seeks Input on Draft Institutional Effectiveness Plan

The President’s Advisory Council on Institutional Effectiveness (PACIE) invites all students, faculty and staff to review the initial draft of FSU’s 2016-2017 Institutional Effectiveness Plan at [www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/Administration/pair/Institutional-Effectiveness-Plan-FSU-AY-2016-2017-DRAFT.pdf](http://www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/Administration/pair/Institutional-Effectiveness-Plan-FSU-AY-2016-2017-DRAFT.pdf).

Open forums will be held **toward the end of March** for the campus community to engage in discussions about the plan. Assembly presentations will be provided to share institutional effectiveness planning updates. During the forums, feedback will be gathered from the campus community regarding the draft’s measures and benchmarks.

The plan is the process by which the institution gathers, analyzes and uses data to determine the achievement of its mission and goals and demonstrates its commitment to continuous improvement. Its objectives are to guide the University in developing institutional assessment activities to best measure effectiveness in meeting the mission, goals and priorities; assist the University in identifying priorities for improvement; and serve as a guide for analysis, decision making and allocation of resources. The plan will also provide academic departments and administrative units with the procedures and guidelines for setting goals, assessing and reporting progress and using reported data for improving and enhancing the institution’s programs and services.

### Check Out FSU’s Master of Arts in Teaching Program!

FSU’s Master of Arts in Teaching program (secondary and elementary) is an accelerated teacher certification program designed to prepare students for teaching in public schools. A junior or senior currently pursuing a degree outside education, particularly in STEM fields, can prepare now to enter the MAT program right after graduation and be prepared for teacher certification in one year.

Why become a teacher?

- It’s an exciting, challenging and rewarding career with opportunities for advancement.
- According to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (from 2014), the median income is \$56,310 (for a 10-month school year), and the highest 10 percent of teachers earn more than \$88,910.
- Health and retirement benefits are included in the hiring package.
- The job outlook is 6 percent growth between 2014 and 2024.

If interested, be sure to attend an information session on **Thursday, Feb. 18**, at 4 p.m. in Lane 110.

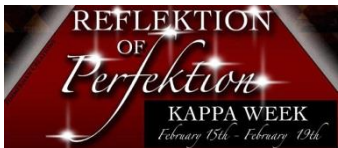
For info, check out the Master of Arts in Teaching webpage at [www.frostburg.edu/home/academic/majorminors/graduate/master-of-arts-in-teaching](http://www.frostburg.edu/home/academic/majorminors/graduate/master-of-arts-in-teaching), talk with an enrollment specialist at 301-687-7053 or email [gradservices@frostburg.edu](mailto:gradservices@frostburg.edu).

Don’t Forget to Participate in the Campus Climate Survey!



Don’t be silent any longer. Participate in the Campus Climate Survey and tell FSU what your University experience has been like. All full-time undergraduates are invited to participate starting **Monday, Feb. 15**. Take the 15-minute survey and be entered to win an Apple Watch Sport and FSU University Store and Dining gift cards. Check your student email for details. For info, contact April Baer at [apbaer@frostburg.edu](mailto:apbaer@frostburg.edu).

Lambda Mu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi to Present ‘Reflektion of Perfektion’



The Lambda Mu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., will hold its Kappa Week **Feb. 15 through 19**, which will consist of the following events:

- Informational Table, **Monday, Feb. 15**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Lane University Center
- “Kappa Kalories,” **Tuesday, Feb. 16**, 7 p.m., Cordts PE Center
- “That’s My Best Friend” Program, **Wednesday, Feb. 17**, 8:30 p.m., Gira Center 156
- “Trap Karaoke,” **Thursday, Feb. 18**, 7:30 p.m., Lane Manicur Hall
- Community Service, **Friday, Feb. 19**, 4 to 7 p.m., YMCA in Cumberland

For info, contact Davon Sawyer at [dmsawyer0@frostburg.edu](mailto:dmsawyer0@frostburg.edu).

National Student Exchange – Study Away Opportunity

FSU is a new member of the National Student Exchange. FSU students can pay FSU tuition and study at one of 200 colleges in the United States. Students can continue to make progress toward their FSU degree program while studying in a new place, meeting new people and enrolling in specialized courses that might not be available at FSU. The deadline to apply for the upcoming year is **Monday, Feb. 15**. For info, contact Amy Shimko at 301-687-4403.

Upcoming BURG Peer Education Network Events



The only event scheduled for this week is the General Body Meeting on **Thursday, Feb. 18**, at 6:30 p.m. in Gira Center 156.

For info, contact Gavin Mangolas at [gmmangolas0@frostburg.edu](mailto:gmmangolas0@frostburg.edu).

Kappa Pi to Hold Paint Brunch and Paint Nights

FSU’s Kappi Pi Art Fraternity will present its Paint Brunch on **Saturday, Feb. 20**, at 12:30 p.m. in the Lane South Addition. The cost is \$15. Food options are eggs and sausage.

The fraternity will also hold two Wednesday Paint Night events on **March 30** and **April 20** at 6:30 p.m., also in the Lane South Addition. The price is \$10. Tickets are available at the box office.

For info, contact Jessica Prejean at [jprejean0@frostburg.edu](mailto:jprejean0@frostburg.edu).

Visual Arts to Again Host All-Student Art Show

FSU’s Department of Visual Arts will once again host the All-Student Art Show, a great opportunity for students to put their art on display and compete for scholarships.

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Artwork entered in the competition should be delivered on **Sunday, Feb. 28**, or **Monday, Feb. 29**, from noon to 3:30 p.m. to the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU's Fine Arts building. Entries may include paintings, illustrations, sculptures, prints, photographs, graphics and ceramics. There is an entry fee of \$3 per entry. Works selected for the show will be on display in the Roper Gallery starting on **Saturday, March 5**, with an opening reception, and ending on **Friday, March 25**. Artwork not accepted may be picked up on **Tuesday, March 1**, from noon to 3:30 p.m.

FSU students competing for departmental scholarships are encouraged to fill out an online scholarship application before dropping off artwork. In the essay section, indicate that your artwork will be submitted to the All-Student Art Show. Online scholarship applications must be filled out by 4 p.m. on **Feb. 29**.

Area high school art students in their senior year may exhibit artwork and compete for Talent in the Arts scholarships at FSU. Both scholarships are for the 2016-2017 academic year.

For info, contact Dustin Davis at [ddavis@frostburg.edu](mailto:ddavis@frostburg.edu).

## Leadership for Diversity 3-Day Train-the-Trainer Session Coming in March



The National Coalition Building Institute offers hands-on leadership models to increase cultural competency in diverse settings. FSU's NCBI campus affiliate will host the NCBI Leadership for Diversity Three-Day Train-the-Trainer session on FSU's campus **Friday, March 4, through Sunday, March 6**. This training for faculty, staff and students consists of a series of incremental, experiential activities that fine-tunes the leadership skills necessary to build inclusive environments and increase cultural competence. Participants will also learn the NCBI Controversial Issue Process, which demonstrates how to move hotly contested issues forward by listening to 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. FSU's NCBI campus affiliate is affiliated with the National Coalition Building Institute, International. 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 Wynder, the chapter director, at 301-687-4050 or [rwynder@frostburg.edu](mailto:rwynder@frostburg.edu).

## 2016-2017 President's Leadership Circle Applications Now Available



Attention juniors! The Office of Leadership and Experiential Learning is accepting application for the 2016-2017 President's Leadership Circle. To be eligible, you have to have completed at least 75 credit hours, have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher, plan to be enrolled for your senior year at FSU from August until May and have demonstrated leadership. Applications are due no later than **Tuesday, March 8**.

For info, contact Clarissa Lang at [calang@frostburg.edu](mailto:calang@frostburg.edu) or Douglas Baer at [djbaer@frostburg.edu](mailto:djbaer@frostburg.edu), or visit [www.frostburg.edu/leadership](http://www.frostburg.edu/leadership).

## Students Affairs Office Seeks Preview Guides

Summer is getting closer and the FSU Student Affairs Office is looking for outgoing and excited student leaders to become Preview Guides for the incoming class of 2020.

If you want to help welcome the next class of Bobcats, download an application from [www.frostburg.edu/fsupreview](http://www.frostburg.edu/fsupreview). Applications are available beginning **Monday, Feb. 15**, and are due to the Student Affairs Office in Hitchens 116 by **Friday, March 11**.

## First Call for Presentations for Focus Frostburg



FSU's Focus Frostburg 2016: "Learn-In" for a Sustainable Future will take place on **Wednesday, April 20**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Lane University Center. Focus Frostburg is the University's annual Day of Learning on sustainability and climate awareness that is free and open to FSU students, faculty, staff and the community. The event is sponsored and organized by FSU's Learning Green, Living Green Sustainability Initiative and the President's Advisory Council for Sustainability.

As in previous years, faculty may want to have students, as appropriate, attend a session in lieu of class or to make some of the seminars and activities an extra-credit assignment. Student presentations make a great class activity. Poster presentations are welcome, and hands-on activities and demonstrations are strongly encouraged.

To participate as a presenter, submit a presentation title and one-or-two-sentence abstract about a topic to Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at [krogerstomas@frostburg.edu](mailto:krogerstomas@frostburg.edu). Topics may be varied but should cover a sustainability, environment or climate awareness issue. Presentations should span a maximum of 50 minutes, since the normal MWF class schedule will be followed. Be sure to indicate if there is a preferred time of day when you would like to present. Room space for presentations is limited, so confirm your interest by **Tuesday, March 1**!

# FSU Foundation Opportunity Grants



The FSU Foundation is once again seeking funding proposals from faculty, staff and students for Foundation Opportunity Grants and several other awards for fiscal year 2017.

Those interested should complete the 2017 FSU Foundation Opportunity Grant Request Form that includes a line item budget. Applications must be limited to two pages. A third page is only permitted for the line item budget. After completing the form, you must submit it online at [www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request](http://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request). No paper or emailed applications will be accepted.

The deadline for proposals is **Sunday, March 6**. The campus community will be notified of the awards following the June 2016 Foundation Board meeting.

Projects may be funded from the following:

- [FSUF Foundation Opportunity Grants](#)
- [Al and Dale Boxley Faculty Award/Student Research Award](#)
- [Jonathan Gibraltar Presidential Leadership Fund for Alcohol Awareness and Education](#)
- [College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Development Award](#)
- [Catherine R. Gira Campus-to-Community Awards](#)
- [Woodward and Virginia Pealer Faculty Development Award](#)
- [Stephen M. Spahr Student Activism Award](#)
- [Marlene Weimer Memorial Scholarly Endeavors Fund](#)

Proposals should be submitted online at [www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request](http://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/forms/opportunity-grant-request) by midnight on **Sunday, March 6**.

The application, award descriptions and a list of previously supported projects can be accessed at [www.frostburg.edu/foundation/ways-to-give/annual-fund/opportunity-grants](http://www.frostburg.edu/foundation/ways-to-give/annual-fund/opportunity-grants).

### Special Note

The FSU Foundation Board of Directors sets aside a small portion of the Unrestricted Annual Fund dollars to fund extremely worthy projects that come up outside the typical award cycle. If you have a project where funds need to be expended before **Friday, July 1**, submit it on the 2016 FSU Foundation Opportunity Grant Special Request Form. You will be required to write why you were unable to make this request during the previous award cycle.

## Harlem Globetrotters Return to FSU



The Harlem Globetrotters, who are celebrating 90 years of ball-handling wizardry, basketball artistry and one-of-a-kind family entertainment, will return to FSU on **Monday, March 7**, at 7 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center Bobcat Arena.

To buy tickets, go to <http://tktwb.tw/1RUzcN3>.

## Center for Creative Writing to Hold 7th One-Act Playwriting Competition

The FSU Center for Creative Writing will host its seventh annual One-Act Playwriting Competition to showcase new works.

Writers are encouraged to submit their one-act plays (with a running time of 40 minutes or less) to the center by **Friday, April 15**. Entries will be judged on plot, character development, dialogue and overall quality.

The first prize winner will receive \$750 and production of his or her play at the Frostburg One-Act Playwriting Festival to be held on the FSU campus in September. Second- and third-prize winners will receive \$250 and \$100, respectively, and staged readings of their works.

For submission guidelines, visit the Center for Creative Writing’s webpage at [www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter/contests-opportunities/one-act-play-competition](http://www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter/contests-opportunities/one-act-play-competition).

## Student Life

### Wanted – Resident Assistants

The FSU Residence Life and Edgewood Commons are looking for new resident assistants for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year.

Info sessions will be held on **Wednesday, Feb. 17**, and **Thursday, Feb. 18**, at 7 p.m. in Lane 110. During these sessions, students will gain an understanding of what it means to be an RA.



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All interested students can fill out the application on Bobcat Connect. Applications are due by **Friday, Feb. 26**, at 4:30 p.m.

## Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

### Student Instructors for Fall 2016 Developmental Math Program

FSU's PASS (Programs Advancing Student Success) Office is looking for student instructors for its fall 2016 Developmental Math Program. Earn \$800, receive 3 Educational Field Experience Credits and build your resume! Student instructors 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.

For info and an application, contact Kim Kurek at [kmkurek@frostburg.edu](mailto:kmkurek@frostburg.edu) or 301-687-4442. Application materials are due **Friday, March 11**.

### Summer Conferences Positions

Coach Wootten's Basketball Camp, Camp Hope, Brit-Am Soccer Academy and the Washington Metropolitan Association of Chinese Schools are among the many groups that call FSU their summer home. Students are always needed to serve these groups and FSU. An online application is at [www.frostburg.edu/admin/confer/conferences-and-events-staff-application](http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/confer/conferences-and-events-staff-application), or they can be picked up in Hitchins 305.

All who apply will be interviewed. It's a competitive process with more applicants each summer than positions. The first priority is given to FSU students, but all may apply. The deadline for applying is **Friday, April 15**. Most summer staffers are not taking classes or simultaneously working in other jobs – this is a full-time position with room and board included. Students are expected to perform some customer service and some bed moving, interact with other offices on campus –with something different every day –and think on their feet to solve problems.

For info, contact Dave Treber, director, Office of Conferences & Events, at 301-687-4020 or [DTreber@frostburg.edu](mailto:DTreber@frostburg.edu).

### Upward Bound Tutor/Counselors

Upward Bound seeks tutor/counselors for its summer residential program on FSU's campus. Upward Bound is a federally funded program that encourages qualified Allegany County high school students to seek education beyond secondary school. The summer residence program provides the main focus and aims to provide students with a sample of the college experience. Tentative dates are **from Sunday, June 12, to Friday, July 29** (includes five days of training). Tutor/counselor salary is \$2,000. Room and board are provided. The deadline to apply is **Tuesday, March 1**. For info, contact the Upward Bound office at 301-687-4994, email Elena Steele at [esteel@frostburg.edu](mailto:esteel@frostburg.edu) or visit the Upward Bound webpage at [www.frostburg.edu/UpwardBound](http://www.frostburg.edu/UpwardBound).

### Educational Assistant for FSU Regional Math/Science Center

The FSU Regional Math/Science Center is looking for an educational assistant to help plan and implement its summer and academic year study skills and college prep curriculum. This is a part-time position (20 to 35 hours a week) that will run for a number of months. The successful candidate will begin this spring by helping to design the summer program, work with students directly during the summer and follow up with students in the fall. For info, email [rmsc@frostburg.edu](mailto:rmsc@frostburg.edu), call 301-687-4295 or visit [www.frostburg.edu/clife/mscenter](http://www.frostburg.edu/clife/mscenter).

## Volunteers

### Habitat for Humanity – One-Week Blitz Build

The Allegany County Habitat for Humanity will take part in a national Blitz Build program starting **Monday, May 2**. During this time, Habitat, along with the help of hundreds of volunteers, will build a house for a family in need in a single week! To make this project a reality, Habitat is looking for volunteers to help build, make volunteer meals, organize fundraisers and more. For info, contact Patrick O'Brien, director, Civic Engagement, Student and Community Involvement, at 301-687-4210 or [pobrien@frostburg.edu](mailto:pobrien@frostburg.edu).

If there is enough interest from the campus community, an informational meeting can be hosted at FSU.

## Study Abroad

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

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In some cases, students can pay FSU tuition, room and board and study for a semester or a year in Ireland, England, Spain, France, China, Italy, Australia, Peru, South Africa or in many other countries. FSU also offers summer study abroad programs. Financial aid and student loans and scholarships are available. For info, visit the Fuller House (across the street from the Braddock House), call 301-687-4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at [vmgearhart@frostburg.edu](mailto:vmgearhart@frostburg.edu). Also, check out the CIE webpage at [www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm](http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm) and the Facebook Page at [www.facebook.com/FSUStudyAbroad](https://www.facebook.com/FSUStudyAbroad).



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**Leadership Experience in Costa Rica, Summer 2016 – Last Chance to Sign Up**



FSU’s Leadership and Experiential Learning Office has joined the Center for International Education to offer its first Summer Leadership Experience. **From Wednesday, May 25, to Thursday, June 2**, students will board canal boats, kayaks and rafts and harness themselves to zip-lines to get an up-close and personal look at the dramatic, ever-changing landscapes and unparalleled animal and plant life of Costa Rica. Visit the webpage at [www.frostburg.edu/clife/leadership/summer-leadership-experience](http://www.frostburg.edu/clife/leadership/summer-leadership-experience) to learn more and apply today. The last day to sign up is **Saturday, Feb. 20**.

**Study Abroad in New Zealand, Summer 2016**



Led by **Dr. Natalia Buta**, an assistant professor in FSU’s Department of Kinesiology and Recreation, this three-and-a-half-week experiential program will examine resource conservation and the natural, and related social, history of New Zealand. The focus is on learning through guided action while traveling throughout the South Island and North Island of New Zealand. Students will spend about 75 percent of their time exploring the stunning national parks, forests, wildlife reserves, coastlines and islands and learning from local experts and practitioners, government officials, iwi (Māori tribes) and scientific research bodies.

Students will earn 3 credits. The dates are **Sunday, May 22, through Thursday, June 16**. The application deadline is **Tuesday, March 1**. Check out the Facebook Page at [facebook.com/FrostburgNewZealandStudyAbroad](https://facebook.com/FrostburgNewZealandStudyAbroad) or [www.BobcatsDownUnder.org](http://www.BobcatsDownUnder.org).

**Art in China Trip, Summer 2016**



Students and alumni are invited to join the Art in China trip. It will run from **Monday, June 6, to Thursday, June 16**. The group will get to visit Shanghai and Beijing.

Students will receive credit for Art 490. For info, contact Dr. Harlowe Hodges in the Department of Visual Arts at [hhodges@frostburg.edu](mailto:hhodges@frostburg.edu) or 301-687-4231.

**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.

**Watch Out for Black Ice!**



**Use walkways that have been salted or shoveled. Don’t take shortcuts.**

**Test your travel path for slickness by sliding your shoe or boot on it before proceeding.**

**Do the penguin shuffle. Walk flat-footed. Take short steps to maintain your center of balance. Keep your head up and don’t lean forward. Walk slowly.**

**When getting out of your car, swing both legs out of the door, place both feet on the ground and grab onto the door frame or steering wheel.**

**When stepping down from a curb, step flat-footed off the curb to minimize your forward momentum.**

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- 1. Enhance experiential and applied learning opportunities for students both inside and outside the classroom.
- 2. Improve facilities so that students live and learn in a modern and technologically sophisticated environment.
- 3. Increase student quality and improve student persistence to graduation.

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