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Faculty Achievement Award Winners to Be Honored at FSU Convocation



Faculty Achievement Award winners are, from left, Andy Duncan, Dr. Heather Hurst and Dr. Michael Monahan.

The recipients of the 2019 Faculty Achievement Awards will be honored at the FSU Honors Convocation and Reception on **Wednesday, May 22**, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in the Pealer Recital Hall.

This year's recipients are **Andy Duncan**, Department of English and Foreign Languages, for academic accomplishment; **Dr. Heather Hurst**, Department of Educational Professions, for teaching; and **Dr. Michael Monahan**, Department of Management, for university and community service.

In addition to the faculty award, outstanding senior students and graduates will be honored at the convocation by their departments for academic excellence and leadership.

Duncan is a Nebula Award-winning writer who embodies the award for academic achievement. Duncan's seventh collection of stories, "An Agent of Utopia," was published in November 2018. The book's title story is also nominated for another Nebula Award. Colleagues say Duncan's writing provides exceptional contributions to the discipline, saying that he brings an unmistakable voice, style and perspective to creative writing. Duncan discussed his works and writing career for several podcasts, had full-length interviews in several magazines and carries an international reputation for excellence. He will also, for the third time, lead a week of the prestigious Clarion writing workshop at the University of California San Diego.

In her four years at FSU, Hurst has reached great heights in her excellence in teaching, having taught all levels of students from undergraduate to doctoral level. She has created or redesigned eight courses, including four at the doctoral level, and has taught in all modalities. Hurst has been extremely creative in ways of reaching her students through feedback. In her online teaching, she has focused on maintaining social presence by creating multiple ways for students to interact with each other. Her students have praised her teaching abilities, her knowledge of the subject matter and her willingness to mentor them as they grow personally and professionally. Hurst has also taken on additional roles, such as program coordinator for the Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership program.

Monahan is recognized for his outstanding and extensive service to FSU, the community and his profession. He is the long-time chair of the Department of Management, has served as chair of the College of Business dean search and is a member of the provost search committees. Monahan has served as the faculty advisor to the Society for Advancement of Management (SAM) since 2005, taking a group of students each year to compete at the SAM's International Conference. He has also served on numerous University committees. In the community, Monahan serves as a secretary of the Foundation for Frostburg organization and is co-author of a key report on the \$15 minimum wage for the Maryland legislature. Beyond his service to FSU and the community, he provides service to his profession by serving on multiple management-focused committees.

The Honors Convocation is free and open to the public. For info, contact the FSU Office of the Provost at 301-687-4211.

FSU Celebrates Achievements of Spring 2019 Graduates



Commencement speakers, from left, are Nicholas Fuhrmann, Victoria Diggs and Andrea Constant.

FSU will celebrate student achievements of its spring 2019 graduating class with the 154th Commencement on **Thursday, May 23**, during two ceremonies in the Cordts PE Center Main Arena.

University System of Maryland (USM) Regent *Robert Neall* will confer degrees and FSU President *Ronald Nowaczyk* will present diplomas to graduates during the two exercises. USM Chancellor *Robert Caret* will also

bring greetings.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences ceremony will start at 9:30 a.m., and the Colleges of Business and Education will begin at 2 p.m. Featured student speakers for the ceremony include *Nicholas Fuhrmann*, College of Business; *Victoria Diggs*, College of Education; and *Andrea Constant*, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Fuhrmann, of South Riding, Va., is earning his bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in finance. Fuhrmann made the Dean's List every semester during his FSU career after transferring from Frederick Community College with an associate degree. He successfully managed his academics and his time as a student-athlete in baseball; he was named to the Capital Athletic Conference All-Academic Team in 2018. Fuhrmann has volunteer experience as an assistant baseball coach, summer camp counselor and a Christian youth group leader. He is also a member of Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honors Society and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. He has worked under the distribution engineer at Fairfax County Water Authority and is a licensed realtor with Keller-Williams Realty.

Diggs, of Columbia, Md., is earning her bachelor's degree in health and physical education. Diggs made the Dean's List every semester throughout her FSU career. She demonstrated great promise as a health and physical education teacher during her internship experience at Mountain Ridge High School. Her instructors noted her impressive ability to develop relationships with her students and find unique ways to motivate participation in fitness-related activities. Diggs started for the Women's Basketball Team at FSU, becoming only the 19th player in the program's history to achieve 1,000-point status. She was a Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) First-Team Selection in 2018 and 2019 and the CAC and Eastern College Athletic Conference DIII South Region Rookie of the Year in 2017. She also volunteered at the Savage Man Triathlon two years in a row.

Constant, of Frederick, Md., is earning her bachelor's degree in sociology and social science with concentrations in sociology and political science. Constant was the vice president of the Latin American Student Organization and the Juvenile Justice chair and vice president of the campus NAACP. FSU helped influence Constant's social engagement, and the campus NAACP nurtured her growth as a social justice advocate and student leader on campus. In addition, she has been a student representative for the Excellence in Academic Advising Project since 2018, where she serves on the Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Committee. She is a Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program scholar, part of a program that assists underrepresented students in pursuing post-graduate study. Constant has been accepted into a fully funded sociology doctoral program at Syracuse University. Constant also acted as an ORIE mentor and has facilitated numerous classes.

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.

Tickets are required to attend Commencement. For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. The ceremony will also be streamed live online. For the livestream link, visit www.frostburg.edu on the day of the commencement.

You're Invited!

HONORS CONVOCATION

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

11:30 a.m.

Pealer Recital Hall

Woodward D. Pealer Performing Arts Center

Music

Estonian Music Ensemble, Wana Wõromaa Wunkorkestri, to Perform in Western Maryland



The Estonian music ensemble, Wana Wõromaa Wunkorkestri, will visit Western Maryland in June, performing in Cumberland on **Monday**, **June 3**, at 7: 30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Mountains, St. Mary Catholic Church, 300 E. Oldtown Road, and in Oakland on **Tuesday**, **June 4**, at 7 p.m. at the Oakland Community Center, 14 N. Eighth St. These events, supported by the Estonian Embassy and the cities of Cumberland, Frostburg and Oakland in partnership with Folklore and Folklife Programming at FSU and FSU's International Studies Program, are free and open to the public.

The performances highlight the Sister-City Cultural Exchange Program – a special relationship between Estonia and Maryland, which began more than 25 years ago with the end of the Cold War as

part of a NATO Partnership of Peace Program. Over the years, the partnership has grown to include civilian-to-civilian relationships focusing on the themes of education, twin cities/counties, cultural activities and economic development. As part of the exchange, Maryland residents have visited Estonia and several Estonian groups have visited Maryland. June's programs highlight Cumberland's sister city, Viljandi, and Oakland's sister city, Valga, through the exploration and performance of Estonia's rich folk music traditions.

Representing traditions of Vana-Võromaa, a region in the country's southeast, this group is one of many community ensembles keeping alive Estonia's rich folk music heritage. These ensembles are intergenerational, including children, adults and senior citizens. The region's folk music heritage plays a particularly important role in Estonia's political history, where the performance of its traditional choral music bolstered a cultural reawakening, contributing directly to what scholars refer to as "The Singing Revolution." Choosing song over violence, Estonians gathered en masse to declare Estonian Independence from the Soviet Union in 1991.

While in Western Maryland, the group will tour the newly remodeled Allegany Museum and downtown Cumberland, visit FSU and Frostburg's Main Street, engage in an informal cultural music exchange with traditional musicians at FSU's Mountain City Traditional Arts and tour downtown Oakland.

For info, contact Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogersthomas@frostburg.edu or 301-687-3124.

Presentations

Astronaut Ricky Arnold to Speak About His Seven Months in Space



NASA astronaut Ricky Arnold, a 1985 graduate of FSU, will speak about the seven months he spent last year on the International Space Station on **Wednesday, May 22**, at 7 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall. The family-friendly event is a presentation of FSU and is free and open to the public.

Arnold became an astronaut after a career of more than a decade as a science and mathematics teacher at schools around the world. He earned a bachelor's degree in accounting and teacher certification from FSU, and a master of science degree in marine, estuarine and environmental science from the University of Maryland.

Arnold has spent 209 days in space and conducted five spacewalks over two missions. He also completed a mission as an aquanaut in a joint NASA-NOAA mission on NEEMO 13, living and working in and around Aquarius, an undersea laboratory.

Arnold first visited the International Space Station as part of STS-119 via the Space Shuttle Discovery. Then last year, he spent 197 days as a flight engineer in ISS as part of Expeditions 55 and 56, which included numerous educational downlink events to schools.

It was one of these educational downlink events that was the center of NASA Day on campus on April 9, 2018, which happened to be the 120th anniversary of the founding of FSU. More than 1,300 middle school students from the region came to campus to view the downlink and participate in space-themed activities led by dozens of FSU College of Education students. (The downlink can be viewed at www.facebook.com/FrostburgStateUniversity/videos/10155250.)

Points of Pride

2018-2019 FSU Leadership Awards

The following outstanding students, faculty and staff members were honored the 2018-19 Leadership Awards Reception:

Student Awards

- Pillar of the Community Award: *Brent Patterson*, presented to students who inspire with their service, their tenacity and their unparalleled love for FSU.
- Emerging Leader Award: *Keegan Wolf*, presented to an outstanding freshman or sophomore for the energy and enthusiasm he or she has devoted to his or her collegiate experience.
- Derek Thomson Sheely Leadership Award: *Gwendolin Schemm*, presented to the junior, with a grade-point average of 3.40 or higher, who best exemplifies the qualities of leadership that Sheely demonstrated.
- Father Ed Hendricks Award: Patrick Vaughan, presented to a student who embraces Father Ed Hendricks' spirit and loving heart.

- Student Government Association Outstanding Senior Award: *Brandon Tenney*, presented to a senior serving in SGA who goes above and beyond throughout his or her college career.
- Social Change Award: *Gwendolin Schemm*, presented to students in recognition for strides in enacting positive change in local, state, national and global communities.
- Newman Civic Fellow Award: *Jenna Puffinburger*, presented to students in recognition and support for engagement and investment in finding solutions for the problems of the world.
- Outstanding Programming Award: "Crawfish Boil" presented to a student or group of students who organized and executed an exceptional campus event. The host organization, Mu Omicron Chapter of Phi Mu Delta, used ticket sales and donations to benefit Make a Wish, the Frostburg Food Pantry and the Allegany County Women's Shelter. They received donations from alumni, providing food and t-shirts and registration costs for their cornhole tournament, the proceeds of which were donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Faculty/Staff Awards

- Outstanding Faculty Member Award: Dr. Jacqueline Durst
- Outstanding Staff Award: Maureen Lauder
- Outstanding Student Organization Advisor Award: Latisha Cooper
- Lifetime Leadership Award: Dr. Thomas Bowling, vice president for Student Affairs

SOAR to Success

Twelve student organization leaders have received SOAR recognition. They are *Alyssa Adams, Samuel Bankole, Jordan Beachy, Keyonna Biggs, Shayla Cook, Jala Edwards, D'Asya Harris, Alana James, Shania Miles* and *Jaylan Watson*.

SOAR to Success is a program for student organization leaders who aspire to develop and enhance skills that will help them grow their leadership, both personally and professionally. SOAR stands for Student Organization and Advising Resources.

2019-2020 President's Leadership Circle

Twelve rising seniors have been selected to participate in the 2019-2020 President's Leadership Circle. They are *Tyler Bauer, Sean Black, Abigail Burdock, Cassie Conklin, Megan Culbertson, Emilee Fierro, D'Aysa Harris, Deion Okonkwo, Rebecca Phillips, Gwendolin Schemm* and *Jessica Thayer*.

The President's Leadership Circle is designed to recognize the top senior leaders while also providing them personal and professional development opportunities to help further their reach across the campus and world.

Take Note

Upward Bound Pre-college Program Offered to Local High School Students

For high school students wondering what it takes to prepare for college and a successful future, how to pay for an education or how to navigate the college application process, Upward Bound at FSU can help. Upward Bound is a free program for qualified Allegany County high school students that helps them prepare to enter college, learn what to expect in college and know what classes to take.

Upward Bound's staff, with more than 35 years of experience, help students successfully transition from high school to college. Upward Bound helps students prepare for the SATs and other college-prep tests, fill out financial aid applications, meet deadlines, visit college campuses and more.

Upward Bound helps students succeed in high school and helps them develop successful strategies to prepare them for college through an academic year program. They also offer an optional, but intensive, three- or five-week summer residential program on FSU's campus.

Former students report that the Upward Bound program not only helped them get into college and be better prepared but also helped them perform better while still in high school.

Any high school student considering going to college who would like support and assistance getting there is encouraged to contact Upward Bound to see if he or she qualifies. For info, call 301-687-4994 or visit www.frostburg.edu/UpwardBound.

Dining Update



Sowers Hall will undergo a facelift over the summer to make way for a new sandwich concept – College Avenue Subs!

College Ave Subs, based on the Mondo Subs brand, will bring a fresh, customizable sandwich menu to FSU.

You will still be able to enjoy all your deli favorites – turkey, ham and veggies on fresh baked bread, piled high with more meat and your choice of toppings, along with newcomers like Home on the Ranch, a turkey, bacon and ranch sub with pepper jack cheese, and a buffalo chicken sub all year long.

All combo meals come with seasoned, homemade chips.

The hours of operation will not change, and, most important, you will still be able to use your Meal Equivalency during all hours of operation.

For info, contact Tiaju Mccalup at Tiaju. Mccalup@compass-usa.com.

Earn Natural Science Credits This Summer, Online, in Four Weeks, Using Online Resources (No Textbook Costs)!

- GEOG 103 Physical Geography (4 credits), 4W1, Tuesday, May 28, through Friday, June 21
- IDIS 160 Science, Technology and Society: What on Earth? (3 credits), 4W2, Monday, June 24, through Friday, July 19
- IDIS 160 Science, Technology and Society: What on Earth? (3 credits), 4W3, Monday, July 22, through Friday, August 16

For info, contact Tracy Edwards at tedwards@frostburg.edu.

End-of-Semester Extended Library Hours

The Ort Library will extend its hours for final exam week. Extended hours will run through the end of the semester.

- Monday, May 20, and Tuesday, May 21 7:30 a.m. to midnight
- Wednesday, May 22, through Friday, May 24 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The library will close for the Memorial Day holiday weekend **Saturday, May 25, through Monday, May 27**. Summer hours will begin on **Tuesday, May 28**. The library will be open throughout the summer Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m.

Library hours are posted on the Hours page of the Library website at http://libquides.frostburg.edu/libhours.

For info, contact the Circulation Desk during open hours at 301-687-4395 or email <u>circulation@frostburg.edu</u>. You can also contact the Reference Desk at 301-687-4424. Online resources remain accessible via the Library's website at <u>www.frostburg.edu/library</u>, and online chat reference and research help are available 24/7 through Ask Us Now even when the library is closed.

Also, be careful not to leave belongings unattended during this busy time and observe the study space and noise policies for each of the library's four public floors:

- Second floor: Group study/individual computer stations
- Third floor (main floor): Quiet 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, and the full Library Code of Conduct is available at http://libguides.frostburg.edu/circulation/conduct.

University Store – End-of-Semester Buyback and Textbook Rental Return

The University Store's end-of-semester buyback will take place **through Wednesday**, **May 22**, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the buyback window behind the store. Bring in any textbooks that you have not rented and see if they have cash value, regardless of where you purchased them.

Textbook rentals are due back to the University Store no later than **Thursday, May 23**. Be sure to return your rental books as soon as you are finished with them to avoid late or replacement fees. Check your email for a reminder of which books you have rented.

For info, contact Kenneth Emerick at kmemerick@frostburg.edu.

Submit Your Application for the FSU Student Career Summit



The FSU Student Career Summit will be held this fall on **Friday, Oct. 25**, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. in McLean, Va. The event will include job interview training, expert resume critiques and alumni networking and advice.

Fifty students will be selected for this free program. Be sure to apply before **Friday, Sept. 20**, at the link to the left to be considered. Transportation will be provided.

For info, contact Dr. Joan Andorfer at jandorfer@frostburg.edu or Dr. Carol Gaumer at cgaumer@frostburg.edu.

Fulbright U.S. Student Program



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.

The application deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 8.

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

Graduation Is Almost Here!

Commencement is coming up soon on **Thursday**, **May 23**, in the Cordts PE Center. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 9:30 a.m., and the Colleges of Business and Education will present their graduates at 2 p.m.

Tickets will be required for admission. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences graduates will receive six tickets, and College of Business and College of Education graduates will receive eight tickets.

Check your PAWS account to make sure your home address is correct. If you need to update your address, you can send an email from your FSU account to the Registrar's Office at reginfo@frostburg.edu to update your home address.

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. For info about Commencement, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or clophn@frostburg.edu.

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Contracting for Fall 2019

Edgewood Commons is accepting applications for the fall semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. All the information about Edgewood Commons is available at www.edgewoodFSU.com.

Apartments come fully furnished and have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms. Utilities (gas, electricity, water, internet and cable) are included in the contract fee.

To set up a tour or for info about Edgewood Commons, call 301-689-1370.

Study Abroad

For info, contact Kara Hotchkiss at 301-687-4747 or kjhotchkiss@frostburg.edu.

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



Brady Gaumer in Germany - Intersession 2019

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.

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*.

Berlin's storied past is firmly embedded in a vibrant contemporary culture. Stand in the Nazi headquarters one moment, and navigate the city's eco-friendly infrastructure the next. Since 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 301-687-4714 or kihotchkiss@frostburg.edu.

Study Abroad in Spain, France and Italy During Spring Break 2020



Join the Study Abroad trip to Spain, France and Italy during Spring Break 2020 and visit Barcelona, the French Riviera, Nice, Cinque Terre, Pisa and Florence!

The nine-day trip in March 2020 will be led by *Dr. Greg Wood* and *Dr. Heather Cisneros*.

The trip is for Honors Program students as well as general education students.

Study abroad scholarships and other sources of funding are available.

For info, visit Wood in the Fuller House or email him at $\underline{gwood@frostburg.edu}$.

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.

Moving Out? Don't forget to ...



Make a checklist of all you need to do before your scheduled move-out date.

Update your mailing address with the U.S. Postal Service. (Doing so may prevent you from becoming the victim of identity theft.)

Update your address with the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration.

Donate your unwanted items.

Don't pack your vehicle then leave it parked overnight. (Thieves are familiar with "move-out" season and target property left in vehicles.)

When loading your vehicle, lock it after every trip.

Also, lock your residence door during each trip to the car.

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.