FSU’s Dr. Lilly Ye Receives Outstanding Student Organization Advisor Award

Professor Honored for Dedication to Marketing Club

At the 2023 FSU Leadership and Engagement Awards celebration held on May 4, Dr. Lilly Ye, a professor in FSU’s Department of Marketing and Finance and advisor of the FSU Marketing Club, was honored with the Outstanding Student Organization Advisor Award for support and contributions that go above and beyond her current duties as a faculty member. The event was hosted by FSU’s Office of Student Engagement.

Ye volunteers her time to advise students in the Marketing Club. She has spent countless hours attending meetings, planning events and organizing trips and conferences for her students to help cultivate experiential learning opportunities that allow them to thrive and grow.

Club members have noted that Ye’s dedication to their student organization has afforded them vital team-building experiences and future career opportunities with companies, including Nike, Google and Amazon.

Ye was unable to attend the awards celebration as she was lending her support at one of her Marketing Club’s many events.

FSU’s Marketing Club is open to students of all majors.

For info, contact Ye at lye@frostburg.edu.

FSU's Dr. Angela Luvara Honored With Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award

Professor Recognized for Contributions to, Support of Students

Dr. Angela Luvara, right, receiving her award at the reception from the presenter, Mae Reyno

At the 2023 FSU Leadership and Engagement Awards celebration hosted by Student Engagement, Dr. Angela Luvara, an assistant professor in FSU’s Department of Sociology and the coordinator of Women’s Studies at FSU, was honored with the Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award.

This award recognizes an outstanding faculty or staff member for their support of and contributions to FSU students over the past academic year. Recipients have demonstrated excellence in their roles on campus and go above and beyond their job duties when interacting with students.

Luvara, or Dr. Angie as she is more commonly referred to at FSU, was presented her award by graduating senior and sociology major, Mae Reyno.
Described as fearless, kind and considerate, Luvara is engaging in the classroom and a fierce ally to the LGBTQ+ community, always encouraging her students to join in her activism. She provides students the opportunity to learn and grow and be themselves without fear of judgement, adapting her teaching style to meet the needs of everyone.

As the coordinator of Women’s Studies at FSU, Luvara helps her students explore the impact that women have had across cultures and throughout history. The course highlights gender, culture and other factors that have a role in the workings of our society. This spring, Luvara’s Women’s Studies program hosted a Spring Speakers Series featuring three scholars and activists who had the opportunity to share their thoughts on a variety of social issues impacting students’ lives.

For info about FSU’s Leadership and Engagement Awards, contact the Lane University Center at 301-687-4411 or visit the Leadership and Engagement Awards webpage at https://www.frostburg.edu/student-engagement/leadership/awards/index.php.

FSU Celebrates Class of 2023 Grads at 162nd Commencement

From left, student speakers Savannah Kent, Elias Baroudi and Jalon Sommers

FSU will celebrate the achievements of its spring 2023 graduating class at the 162nd Commencement scheduled for Saturday, May 20, during two ceremonies in the Cordts PE Center Main Arena.

FSU President Dr. Ronald H. Nowaczyk will confer degrees and present diplomas to the graduates of the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Business and Education.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences ceremony will start at 9:30 a.m. and will feature student speaker Savannah Kent. The Colleges of Business and Education ceremony will begin at 2 p.m., featuring student speakers Elias Baroudi, College of Business, and Jalon Sommers, College of Education.

Kent, of Edgewood, Md., graduates with a bachelor’s in liberal studies, with a concentration in visual arts. She has taken a rigorous academic load, including Honors coursework, and consistently made the Dean’s List at FSU. Kent is very interested in social sciences, art and photography and had the opportunity to work with FSU’s Social Media Marketing team as an event photographer for the past three years. She was active in several organizations across campus, including the Black Student Alliance and the National Council of Negro Women. Kent was selected for the Sloop Leadership Institute and for participation in the ECHOSTARS program. Kent currently operates her own freelance photography business.

Baroudi, of Frederick, Md., graduates with a bachelor’s in business administration, with a concentration in finance. While at FSU, Baroudi always took his academics very seriously, consistently striving for excellence. Baroudi made the Dean’s List every semester at FSU. He was a member of several highly selective national honor societies and served as a resident assistant and vice president of finance for the Residence Hall Association. After graduation, Baroudi has plans to work for Textron Systems, an aerospace and defense development and manufacturing firm and Fortune 500 company based in Baltimore.

Sommers, of Salisbury, Pa., graduates with a bachelor’s in elementary/middle school education. Throughout his time at FSU, Sommers has maintained excellent grades, making the Dean’s List every semester. He gained invaluable teaching experience serving as a teacher apprentice, teacher assistant and, most recently, a teacher intern. During Sommers’ internships, he had the opportunity to create and teach lessons in English language arts and figurative language. He was a Teacher of Promise nominee in 2023 as well as the recipient of the Hattie M. Strong Scholarship and the McKaig Scholarship. Sommers was also a member of the National Honor Society of Leadership and Success at FSU.

Dr. Traci L. Taylor, provost; Dr. Michael Mathias, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Dr. Sudhir Singh, dean of the College of Business; and Dr. Boyce Williams, dean of the College of Education, will present candidates for degrees.

Tickets are required to attend the 162nd Commencement. For info, visit the Frostburg Commencement webpage at http://www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. The ceremony will also be livestreamed. For the livestream link, visit the FSU website at http://www.frostburg.edu on the day of commencement.

Special Events

Pirates Ahoy Coming Again This Summer!

Ahoy mateys! Mark your calendars for the 17th annual Pirates Ahoy, which will be held this year on Saturday, July 8, at City Place on Water Street in Frostburg. Join the Children’s Literature Centre for a day of scallywagging fun, beginning with registration at 9 a.m. at City Place. This event gives children the opportunity to play pirate games, make pirate crafts and hear a presentation from illustrator Lee Harper, who will share his book, “Turkey’s Santastic Beach Day,” at 9:30 a.m. at Hotel Gunter.

So gear up in your best swashbuckling attire and come out for Pirates Ahoy! Buccaneer activities, including art crafts and a treasure hunt, will take place throughout the day. This event is free and open to the public.

For info, contact the Children’s Literature Centre at 301-687-3133 or clc@frostburg.edu.
Exhibits

FSU’s Roper Gallery Features Spring 2023 Senior Exhibition, ‘Fervor’

FSU’s Department of Visual Arts is hosting the spring 2023 Senior Exhibition, “Fervor,” at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU’s Fine Arts Building through Saturday, May 20. This event is free and open to the public.

The following art and design students will exhibit their artwork:

- **Dylan Brown** will graduate from FSU with a bachelor’s in art and design, with a dual concentration in graphic design and illustration. After graduation, he will open his own car-wrapping business, wrapping cars and selling his own custom wraps.

- **Taylor Carroll** will graduate with a bachelor’s in art and design, with a concentration in graphic design. After graduation, she plans to get a job in her field, where she will continue to do what she loves and experiment with her art.

- **Samina Clark** is a tenacious, passionate and resilient student at FSU who will graduate with a BFA, with a minor in graphic design and a concentration in sculpture. After graduation, she hopes to solidify a career where she is inspired by her work, involved in her community and making meaningful changes.

- **Yuhao Deng (Terry)** is an international student from China. Deng will graduate with a bachelor’s in art and design, with a minor in graphic design. His focus area is sculpture. After graduating, Deng will work toward his MFA.

- **Dannielle Francis** will graduate with a BFA, with a dual focus in illustration and graphic design and a minor in art history. She hopes to become a successful artist and continue to produce various forms of art, from illustrations to taxidermy.

- **Madison Manalansan** is a student athlete who played for the Women’s Field Hockey team at FSU. She is graduating with a BFA, with a concentration in graphic design. After graduation, she plans to continue freelancing and coaching her high school field hockey team as a goalie coach.

- **Andy Matthews** is a transfer student from Hagerstown Community College with an associate degree in visual art. They will graduate with a bachelor’s in art and design, with a dual concentration in illustration and sculpture and a minor in art history. After graduation, Matthews plans to earn a master’s in teaching at FSU, then pursue a career as an art educator.

For this show, the Roper Gallery is open Mondays through Fridays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For graduation day, Saturday, May 20, the gallery will also be open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For info, contact the Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797.

Presentations

AL Watershed Moments Next Generation Series to Feature Research of Recent Alum

**Dr. Stephanie Siemek: “Navigating the Waters of Arid Lands”**

**Dr. Stephanie Siemek** will present “Navigating the Waters of Arid Lands” online via Zoom on Thursday, June 1, at 6:30 p.m. Once registered, attendees will receive Zoom instructions via email sent closer to the event date.

Siemek will share the challenges of working as a hydrologist in the United States Southwest, where water is scarce and the competition for it is high. Hear about the hardships and challenges of making every drop count and find out what it takes to sustain habitats for threatened and endangered species in desert lands that have been extensively engineered to support human activities. Furthermore, learn how Siemek acquired her position at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, as well as other approaches on how to secure a permanent position in the Department of the Interior.

Siemek, a hydrologist for USFWS, Division of Water Resources, in the Southwest Region, graduated from UMCES in 2021 with a doctorate in environmental science. Her pursuit of environmental science stems from her love for animals and fascination with the natural world.

This event is free and open to the public but registration is required. Learn more and register at www.umces.edu/watershed-moments. Contact Rhonda Schwinabart, coordinator of Outreach, at 301-689-7102 or rschwinabart@umces.edu with any event-related questions.

Points of Pride

Students Honored at Leadership & Engagement Awards Celebration

**Dedicated Students Recognized for Their Contributions to the University**

On May 4, a myriad of FSU students was honored at the 2023 Leadership and Engagement Awards reception for their dedication and contributions to the University’s leadership. This eclectic group of individuals tirelessly serve the campus community in a variety of capacities, lending their time and talents to everyone they encounter.
The process for nominating a student for an award is open to anyone who has witnessed exceptional leadership and service of a scholar, peer, mentor or friend. Selection committees ultimately chose the award recipients after thoughtful review of the submissions.

The evening’s student award winners are as follows: Outstanding Cultural Programming Award, the 2023 Iota Stroll Comp hosted by Iota Phi Theta; Outstanding Social Programming Award, Evelyn Shanholtz for her efforts with the Trunk or Treat; Outstanding Educational Programming Award, Stella Beemnick for the Women’s Health Fair; Emerging Leader Award, Jamie Roberts; Unsung Hero Award, Kristina Thompson; Student Government Association Outstanding Senior Service Award, Ariyana Ward; 2023 Derek Thomson Sheely Leadership Award for Excellence in the Classroom and Community, Ciera Davison; Student Employee of the Year, Kyujin Milstead; Social Change Award, Amber Greenbaum; the Father Ed Hendricks Award, Zachary Arnold; and the William Mandicott Pillar of the Community Award, Rachael Michalski.

Additionally, the 2023-2024 President’s Leadership Circle (PLC) members were introduced. This small, selected cohort of senior student leaders will be exposed to personal and professional development leadership opportunities facilitated by FSU’s president, Dr. Ronald Nowaczyk, and the Division of Student Affairs. New PLC members include Onaopemipo Baiyeshea, Ashlyn Cave, Kourtlan Copeland, Maree Dieterich, Mychal McKay, Elizabeth Perry, Ayden Robert, Jacob Stocker, Nicholas Troy and Asia Wrights.

As part of the evening’s awards, Dr. Artie Travis, FSU vice president of Student Affairs, presented awards to several individuals who have made an impact on and contributed to the effective operations of FSU’s Division of Student Affairs. Recipients included Robin Wynder for her outstanding contributions to the Division of Student Affairs, Tim Pelesky and the FSU Information Technology team for their outstanding service to Student Affairs, Peyton McDonald for her outstanding contributions as a “Rising Star” and the Evergreen Heritage Center for its outstanding contributions to civic engagement.

Special recognition should be given to the program’s speakers and presenters. Amber Greenbaum, current PLC member, opened the reception with a reflection on her time as a member of this year’s PLC cohort, and Al Delia, FSU vice president of Regional Development and Engagement, gave the keynote address.

Award presenters included Pauline Pascariello, program management specialist; May Reyno, student; Melanie Moore, director of the Cultural Event Series; Carrie Saunders, assistant athletic director; Allen Flanagan, director of Student Auxiliary Services; Ceyondi Dannelley, '22-'23 student affairs chair for the Student Government Association; Tim Magruth, director of the J. Glenn Beall Institute for Public Affairs; Katie Weir, assistant director of Residence Life; Ashley Daniels, associate director of Civic Engagement; and Jamie Winters, assistant director of Fraternity and Sorority Life. Travis and Robert “Coop” Cooper, FSU’s assistant vice president of Student Engagement, also made presentations.

Thanks to the FSU Student Engagement staff and the Division of Student Affairs for planning and implementing this year’s event; to the Lane University Center and staff and Chartwells Catering Services for hosting the event, providing tech support and for hospitality and catering; and to the Leadership and Engagement Awards Selection Committee, the Derek Thomson Sheely Leadership Award Selection Committee, the SGA Outstanding Senior Service Award Selection Committee and the PLC Search Committee.

Thirty-Six Inductees Installed Into FSU Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi

Group Composed of Undergrade, Grade, Faculty and Distinguished Alumni

The FSU chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi inducted 36 new members during a ceremony held May 6 at FSU’s Gira Center. The society is the nation’s oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines.

New members include 23 undergraduate students, 10 graduate students, one faculty member and two distinguished alumni.

Undergraduate students installed into Phi Kappa Phi were Brayden Bowman, Colby Bray, Autumn Cavender, Nicole Chew, Joshua Clark, Ashley Cutter, Ciera Davison, Carolyn Desena, Eyrusalam Gbrehmedin, Taylor Glassock, Keri Horine, Dawson Hornuth, McKenna Houser, Emily Ingram, Elizabeth Jenkins, Jenna Keller, Mariah Marshall, Madison Martin, Alivia Melius, Jacob Pryor, Jessica Putnam, Sarah Smith and Max Summerfield.

Graduate inductees were Taylor Baffenmeyer, Kathryn Cook, Matthew Cunningham, Miranda Ford, Adam Hertz, Vicki Maust, Jaime Strepkin, Elisa Trucco, Laura Weinberger and Heider Weller.

Dr. Xunyu Pan, an associate professor in FSU’s Department of Computer Science and Information Technologies, was inducted for his achievements in research. Additionally, FSU alumni Wayne Scott ’89 and R. Kevin Turley M’06 were nominated for induction by Dr. Sudhir Singh, dean of the College of Business. Scott currently serves as the manager of corporate audit for JetBlue airlines, and Turley is the vice president of operations for UPMC Western Maryland.

Officers for the 2022-23 academic year were Dr. Linda Steele, president; Dr. James Saku, vice president; Dr. Eric Moore, secretary; and Dr. Matthew Crawford, treasurer. The outgoing student vice president is Syully Koroh.

These honorees are among approximately 25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors, having at least 72 semester hours, are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Chapter 348 at FSU was chartered in March 2018, recently celebrating its five-year anniversary.
Rachael Michalski Selected as 2023 Civil Citizen Communicator

Congratulations to Rachael Michalski for being selected as the 2023 Civil Citizen Communicator! Michalski, who serves as the Student Government Association governance chair, is a member of the Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society, National Society for Leadership and Success and Alpha Phi Omega. She has been involved in the ECHOSTARS community, serves as a Bobcat Ambassador and is called on often to give a student’s perspective at Bobcat Bound and other Admissions Office orientation programs. She also speaks on behalf of the University through the Global Civic Leader program, the Maryland Higher Education Student Council and as a University System of Maryland Angenberg Legacy Fellow.

Honorable mentions also go to the other nominees for their various good contributions to communication leadership: Jillian Davis, Kayla Donaldson, Gianni Jones and Amanda Stanley.

Judges were R.J. Caster ‘08, CEO of Techne Media; Dr. Angela Luvana, an assistant professor in FSU’s Department of Sociology and coordinator of the Women’s Studies program; and Theresa Stahl, this year’s Leadership Studies leader-in-residence.

The award winner and honorable mentions will receive certificates of achievement, and the award winner’s name and winning year will be etched on the Civility Cup plaque, which is displayed near the Department of Communication suite in the Gira Center. A small monetary award will also be given to the award winner through the support of a new award fund established with support from Students Affairs leadership.

Teachers of Promise

Pictured in the top row, from left, are Jalon Sommers, Jayme DeMoss, Kristopher Lynott, Hayley Kendle and Educational Professions faculty member Dr. Christina Durham; in the bottom row, from left, are Nina Wars, Savannah Bowen, Shyanne Foutz and Mariah Marshall.

On April 21, a group of eight senior education students who were selected by the faculty in FSU’s Department of Educational Professions were honored at the Annual Teachers of Promise Institute in Baltimore. The event was sponsored by Maryland State Department of Education, SMART Technologies, Maryland Independent Colleges and Universities Association and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

These education students joined other education seniors from 17 Maryland colleges and universities at this institute to interact with and learn from top educational professionals, including Teachers of the Year and other award-winning educators. The students met their award-winning mentors who will guide them throughout the spring and summer until they are placed in their new schools in the fall.

Lambda Nu Chapter of Beta Beta Beta Welcomes New Members

FSU’s Lambda Nu Chapter of Beta Beta Beta, a national biological sciences honor society, welcomed new members during a recent induction ceremony held at Penn Alps in Grantsville, Md.

Pictured (from left) in the top row are Sophia Bishoff, Rachael Rallo, Quinton Browne, Elizabeth Jenkins, Logan Tokle and Max Summerfield. In the front row are Laurel Plitnik, Carolyn DeSena, Julia Phillip and Cierra Wilson. Not pictured are Autumn Miller, Blake Miller and Zoe Reading.

Dr. Frank Hughes and Dr. Rebekah Taylor are the faculty co-advisors.

Students In FSU-TWS Chapter Active in Conservation Initiatives

The Wildlife Society (TWS) is primarily a U.S. and Canadian organization comprised of regional, state and student chapters. FSU has an active student chapter associated with the Wildlife and Fisheries Science degree in the Department of Biology. Dedicated students in the FSU-TWS chapter have been active in a variety of conservation initiatives, including building and placing the bird boxes around campus. The bird boxes are intended for eastern bluebirds and American kestrels (a small, beautiful falcon) but are used by other species, too.

FSU Chamber Singers Perform at Special Olympics

Members of the FSU Chamber Singers and their director, Dr. Scott Riscker, performed the national anthem at the Allegany County Special Olympics on May 6.
**Take Note**

**Tall Waggin’ Tutors Coming to Ort Library**

Join friends from Tall Waggin’ Tutors on Monday, May 15, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Ort Library to unwind from the stress of final exams and heal as a community during this challenging time.

**Ort Library’s Institutional Repository**

The Ort Library’s Institutional Repository, eScholarship@Frostburg at [https://mdsoar.org/handle/11603/1](https://mdsoar.org/handle/11603/1), is a great way for educators and students to publish their work for free, where it is available without any barriers to access. Students are encouraged to submit their essays, projects or other class assignments to the repository.

For the submission form, go to [https://forms.microsoft.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=0V75uBqgRkKBBAOmdHjT0-p94f8hdpq1EjEL8ndrFIUM0nYNTiOUDk4R1RVN0lERjJtMOJN1UpRSI4](https://forms.microsoft.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=0V75uBqgRkKBBAOmdHjT0-p94f8hdpq1EjEL8ndrFIUM0nYNTiOUDk4R1RVN0lERjJtMOJN1UpRSI4). Submitters will be notified with a link to their record once a staff member can add it. You can then link your work to your resume where it can contribute to professional development.

For info, contact, Liza Zakharova at ylzakharova@frostburg.edu.

**Sustainability Studies Reception**

Join Sustainability Studies students for a reception on Monday, May 15, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Gunter 208 as they share their experiences in sustainable action efforts over the past year, focusing on their campus and community partners in spring 2023: Chartwell’s, Food Recovery Network, Wholesome Harvest, Weis, PAWS Pantry, Evergreen Heritage Center, Rocky Gap State Park, Jane Gates House, FSU Ecobrickers and more.

If interested in FSU’s Sustainability Studies minor and/or FSU’s sustainability-related student organizations, and you want to get involved with these campus and community efforts next year, be sure to attend the reception.

For info, contact Tracy Edwards at 301-697-7699 (text preferred) or tedwards@frostburg.edu.

**Marijuana Legalization – New Webpage**

With the legalization of cannabis in Maryland (July 2023), it is important to stay informed about the changing social and legal environment. The SAFE Office has launched a new webpage that offers valuable information on the effects of marijuana, Maryland laws, FSU policies and practices, and resources for those seeking more information or support. The goal is to provide a comprehensive guide to help students make informed decisions about marijuana use. Information about treatment and 12-step support groups will be added before the 2023 fall semester.

For info, visit [https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/campus-services/safe-office/MarijuanaCannabis%20Information.php#alc](https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/campus-services/safe-office/MarijuanaCannabis%20Information.php#alc).

**Elkins SoTL Fellowships: Center for Teaching Excellence**

The Kirwan Center for Academic Innovation announces this call for applications for the newly established Elkins Fellowships for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL). Up to 10 Elkins SoTL Fellowships of $1,000 each will be awarded for AY2023-24.

Proposals are due to Dr. Zakiya Lee at zlee@usmd.edu by 11:59 pm on Monday, May 22, for work to begin in the subsequent academic year.


**Iris and Peter Halmos Collection Exhibition and Sale**

The C. William Gilchrist Museum of the Arts at 104 Washington St. in Cumberland will showcase the Iris and Peter Halmos Art Collection through Sunday, June 4.

The late Iris and Peter Halmos were known for their strong support of the arts. Their extensive and varied collection of paintings and sculpture acquired locally and throughout their travels will be available to the public for viewing and purchase at the Gilchrist Gallery. More than 200 unique art pieces of all media will be showcased. Portions of the
proceeds from the sale will go to the Gilchrist, the Remember the Holocaust School Trip Fund, the Allegany College of Maryland Foundation and the Cultural Event Series at FSU.

The Gilchrist Museum is open for visitors during the length of the exhibition on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m.

For info, visit www.gilchristgallery.com or call 240-580-1070.

**Application Period Open to Join Bridging Differences In Higher Education Learning Fellowship**

The application period is open to join the Bridging Differences in Higher Education Learning Fellowship, an eight-month facilitated virtual learning community running from fall 2023 through spring 2024, hosted by UC Berkeley’s Greater Good Science Center (GGSC). The experience will center on the GGSC’s Bridging Differences free online course, giving participants a common reference point that is based on science. Applications are due by Monday, May 22.

The opportunity is open to any leader in higher education who wants to foster more constructive dialogue and understanding across group lines on college campuses in the United States, including lines of race, religious faith, politics or beyond. Participants will learn from each other at the same time that they’re gaining research-based skills and insights from the GGSC’s online course and companion playbook. Over eight months together, they will connect around the successes, challenges and questions that come up for them as they try to bridge differences on their campus. There is no cost to participate in the Learning Fellowship, nor does it provide recipients with any financial support.

To apply, visit https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf2f1gFnnzJgVUXwTmOQA2HJRCvW/SAo5DtTkJvE00aKf0Q/viewform.

For info, go to https://ggsc.berkeley.edu/who_we_are/news/announcement/applications_open_learning_fellowship_to_bridge_differences_in_higher_education.

**Join the Fight for Equality!**

The FSU Network for Intersectional Feminism is building a community engaged in the dismantlement of patriarchal systems of oppression using an intersectional approach.

Action priorities include serving as a resource and partner for all feminist faculty, staff and students; improving the climate for gender diversity in institutional leadership roles; providing feminist mentoring and advocacy for matters related to gender issues, including Title IX; hosting events and programming to support research-based justice, queer and trans liberation, sexual assault awareness, gender equity, ending period poverty, gender diversity in academia and other related topics; and partnering with other community groups that share these priorities.

Interested in donating to the group? Go to www.frostburg.edu/makeagift then put “FNIF” or “feminism” under Designation.

Sign up for the mailing list at https://forms.gle/xaAWSHjtb53J9s5C7.

**Benefits Walk-In Hours**

The Office of Human Resources is offering Benefits Walk-in hours Wednesdays. Employees can stop by Hitchins 330 to meet with Lee Ann Nightingale, manager, Benefits and Wellness Program, regarding employee benefits on a first-come, first-served basis. The walk-in schedule is intended for questions about benefit-related matters that can be covered during a brief 15-minute meeting; all other meetings are by appointment only. The walk-in schedule is emailed to employees on Tuesdays; check your email for the weekly announcement.

**Last Science Saturdays for Spring 2023**

Science Saturdays feature space news, a sky tour and a full-dome movie. Telescopes are available afterward for viewing the moon and planets when the weather is favorable. The last shows will take place on May 27.

Shows are free, tickets are not required and anyone is welcome to attend. They start at 5 and 7 p.m. and last about an hour.

For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/mlc.

**‘Pens and Pixels: Generative AI In Education’ Online Conference**

Sponsored by the University of California, Irvine and the Spencer Foundation, a national online conference, “Pens and Pixels: Generative AI in Education,” will be held on Thursday, July 13, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. PST. This event is free.

For info, and to register, visit https://www.pensandpixels.org.

**Save the Date for Homecoming**

Homecoming 2023 will be held Thursday, Oct. 5, through Sunday, Oct. 8.

For info, check out https://www.frostburg.edu/alumni/homecoming.php.
Upward Bound Summer 2023 Program Employment Opportunity

The Upward Bound Program at FSU is seeking a head resident (bachelor’s degree required – May 2023 graduation acceptable) for the Upward Bound Summer Program 2023.

Upward Bound is a federally funded program for qualified Allegany County high school students who plan to enroll in college.

Upward Bound provides fundamental support to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits.

The head resident supervises all residential staff and is responsible for all activities that occur outside of the classroom.

Benefits include:

- Room and board for the duration of the program (three to five weeks plus training week)
- Supervisory experience
- Working with academic professionals
- Improving problem-solving and conflict-resolution skills

To learn more about the Upward Bound Program at FSU, visit [www.frostburg.edu/upward-bound](http://www.frostburg.edu/upward-bound). For info, call Cassie Weese, assistant director, Upward Bound, at 301-687-4994 or email upwardbound@frostburg.edu.

Health and Safety Messages

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

Mental Health Monday Tip: CAPS Self-Help Resources

Tell Yourself Tuesday Tip: Top 10 Study Tips to Study Like a Harvard Student
https://summer.harvard.edu/blog/top-10-study-tips-to-study-like-a-harvard-student

Wacky Wednesday Tip: Forty-Four DIY Creative Craft Activities to Do When You’re Bored
https://www.purewow.com/home/crafts-for-adults

Thankful Thursday Tip: Ninety-Seven Ways to Show Someone You Genuinely Appreciate Them
https://parade.com/1208701/kaitlin-vogel/how-to-show-appreciation

Fun Friday Tip: Ten Ways to Have Fun While You Study
https://www.oxford-royale.com/articles/10-ways-fun-study

Social Saturday Tip: Fifty Ways to Take a Break

Self-Love Sunday Tip: Self-Care Activities for College Students
https://www.collegegirlsrocks.com/self-care-activities-college-students

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