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FSU's Department of Theatre and Dance to Present 'Harry & the Thief'



Jhaneal (Blue) Stoute as Harry (aka Harriet Tubman) and Jasmine Proctor as Mimi in "Harry & the Thief"

The Department of Theatre and Dance at FSU will present its performance of "Harry & the Thief" at 7:30 p.m. **Thursday through Saturday, March 8 to 10**, and **Wednesday and Thursday, March 14 and 15**, with a matinee on **March 10** at 2 p.m. Directed by *Mairzy Yost-Rushton*, the performances will take place in the F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre of FSU's Pealer Center.

Sigrid Gilmer's play, "Harry and the Thief," is set in two centuries, and it mixes real and fictitious characters, as well as history and science fiction, to take an absurd look at the past while imagining a very different future. Harry is Harriet Tubman, the famed, Maryland-born abolitionist who guided more

than 300 slaves to freedom.

In this time-travel comedy, Jeremy, who has a doctorate in physics, has recently constructed a time machine. He blackmails his cousin Mimi, a professional thief, and sends her back to 1863. Her mission: to supply Harry with 21st-century guns and help her establish a free black republic – with Jeremy as emperor. However, this shrewd and mischievous action-adventure comedy is more concerned with the spectacular grit of the black women in its orbit. Chief among them are Harry, a slave named Vivian and Mimi. The cast also includes a narrator named Anita, who's a movie director, and the play we're watching is the movie that Anita is making.

This production contains some adult material and is recommended for those ages 15 and older.

Tickets can be purchased online through University Tickets or at the box office. Visit the website at www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance and click "Buy Tickets" to make an online reservation (service fees apply). Or, for more information about the show and to make group reservations, call the box office at 301-687-7462 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for students and youth and \$15 for the general public.

Music

FSU Student Recital – Greg Hays and Paul Zimmerman in 'East-West Guitar Duo'

FSU students *Greg Hays* and *Paul Zimmerman* will present their recital, titled "East-West Guitar Duo," on **Wednesday, Feb. 28**, at 7:30 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall. This event is free and open to the public.

The duo will first perform "Café para Dos" by Máximo Diego Pujol, an Argentine classical guitarist and composer. This will be followed by Zimmerman's guitar solos – "Prelude No. 5," a piece by Brazilian composer Heitor Villa-Lobos, which evokes the waltzes danced by the upper classes of Rio de Janeiro in a bygone age; "Lágrima," written by Spanish composer Francisco Tárrega in 1881, a song that evokes strong emotions, causing some listeners to weep; and "Capricho Árabe" ("Arab Caprice"), a 1892 work for classical guitar, also by Tárrega.

Next, Hays and Zimmerman will unite for Pujol's "Milonga de Junio" and "Duo Des Fleurs" ("The Flower Duet") from "Lakmé" by Léo Delibes. "Milonga de Junio" is the second movement of "Tango, Milonga y Final," a work Pujol composed in 1979 that reflects a

combination of Argentine tango and classic guitar repertoire. "Duo Des Fleurs" is a famous piece for sopranos from Delibes' opera, first performed in Paris in 1883. The duet takes place between Lakmé, the daughter of a Brahmin priest, and her servant Mallika, as they go to gather flowers by a river.

Hays will then perform his guitar solos – "La Catedral" by Agustín Barrios and "La Harpe du Guerrier" from "Le Decameron Noir" by Leo Brouwer. Barrios was a Paraguayan virtuoso classical guitarist and composer, largely regarded as one of the greatest performers and most prolific composers for the guitar. "La Catedral" is perhaps his best-known and most played composition. Even though it is one of Barrios' early works (written in 1921), it didn't assume a final form until the last years of his life. Brouwer is a Cuban composer, conductor and classical guitarist; his "Le Decameron Noir" contains neo-romantic elements.

Hays and Zimmerman will end their performance with the finale from "Sérénade in A Major, Op. 96, No. 1" by Ferdinando Carulli, an Italian composer for classical guitar and the author of the influential "Méthode complète pour guitare ou lyre, op. 27" (1810), which contains music still used by student guitarists today. Carulli was among the most prolific composers of his time. He wrote more than 400 works for the guitar, and countless others for various instrumental combinations, always including the guitar.

For info, contact FSU's Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

CES at FSU to Present Irish Band Danú in LIVE! at StarScape Event



CES at FSU will present the traditional Irish musicians of Danú on **Friday, March 2**, in Lane Manicur Hall. The 7:30 p.m. event features table and bar service and a menu of appetizers and desserts.

With a buoyant style described by The Washington Post as "a vibrant mix of virtuosity, energy and empathy," Danú has emerged as one of the world's foremost Irish music ensembles. Hailing from Counties Waterford, Cork, Dublin and Donegal, the spirited ensemble has performed to enthusiastic audiences around the globe for more than two decades, earning praise for its virtuosic use of traditional instruments such as the flute, tin whistle, fiddle, button accordion and bouzouki, accompanied by exquisite vocals.

Immediately following the performance, CES will join forces with FSU's own WFWM-FM to present the Offstage Series With WFWM, when station director Chuck Dicken joins the artists onstage for a lively, interactive discussion with the audience.

To celebrate Irish-American Heritage month, the Lewis J. Ort Library highlights the Great Hunger that affected Ireland from 1845-1852 and the contributions these new immigrants made to the United States in a display from the library's collections.

The music of Danú can be heard on WFWM Public Radio, where it is often featured on Ceol Ceilteach agus Craic, an hour of traditional Celtic music, which airs on **Monday evenings** at 8 p.m., and during the Celtic music hour of Just Plain Folks, **Saturdays** at 3 p.m.

Performance tickets are \$22 for adults and \$19.80 for youth under 17. Member and group discount rates are also available. Tickets may be ordered online by visiting <http://ces.frostburg.edu> or by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For all CES performances, students can guarantee their seat by purchasing the discounted ticket price listed on promotional materials, or they can pick up free tickets at the door if any are available.

An Evening of Jazz With the FSU Jazz Combo, Jazz Guitar Combo and Jazz Faculty Ensemble

FSU's Department of Music will present its Evening of Jazz on **Saturday, March 3**, at 7:30 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall. The program will feature the FSU Jazz Combo, Jazz Guitar Combo and Jazz Faculty Ensemble in a performance of great jazz standards and outstanding works ranging from contemporary jazz to fusion, bebop, hard bop and traditional styles.

The program will open with the FSU Jazz Combo, directed by **Tom Harrison**. The group will perform the gypsy jazz standard "How High the Moon" with lyrics by Nancy Hamilton and music by Morgan Lewis. It was first featured in the 1940 Broadway revue "Two for the Show." "Ornithology" is a famous jazz standard by bebop alto saxophonist Charlie Parker, nicknamed "Bird," and trumpeter Benny Harris. First recorded in 1946, it remains one of the most popular and frequently performed bebop tunes. "Oleo" is a hard bop composition by Sonny Rollins, written in 1954. "Invitation," by Bronisław Kaper, with lyrics by Paul Francis Webster, only became a jazz standard after being used in the 1952 film "Invitation." Selected for its poignance, it has been described as "lush and haunting." "To Wisdom the Prize," by world-renowned jazz pianist and composer Larry Willis, has a Latin-bossa beat behind an airy melody.

Members of the Jazz Combo are **Hannah Livingston**, trumpet and violin; **DeAndre Cook**, trombone; **Mirto Dorcil**, piano; **Grant Stryckning** and **Daniel Bedwell**, guitars; and **Nathan Kopit**, drums.

Next, the FSU Jazz Guitar Combo, directed by **Anthony Ambroso**, will perform "Mister Magic," from the fourth album of the same name by jazz saxophonist Grover Washington Jr., released in 1975. This fine example of original smooth jazz topped the soul and jazz albums chart and peaked at number 10 on the pop chart. The raw, groove-oriented "Mr. Clean" is from trumpeter Freddie Hubbard's classic record, "Straight Life," of the early '70s. "Footprints" is a jazz standard composed by Wayne Shorter, first appearing on his 1966 album "Adam's Apple."

The Jazz Guitar Ensemble includes **Grant Stryckning** and **Corey Snowden**, guitars; **Garrett Spence**, bass; and **Ryan Barber**, drums.

The FSU Jazz Faculty Ensemble, consisting of **Dr. Brent Weber** on saxophone, Harrison on piano and keyboards, **Jim Roderick** on bass and **Marc Lawrence** on the drum set, will perform four selections. "A Remark You Made" by Weather Report is from the group's 1977 album, "Heavy Weather," one of the best-sellers in the Columbia jazz catalog. The song is considered one of the most beautiful ballads band member Joe Zawinul wrote. "Tune 88" and "Water Sign" by electric keyboardist Jeff Lorber are very accessible, yet free-spirited and creative, jazz/funk/R&B tunes appearing on "Water Sign," his 1979 album. "Confirmation" is a bebop standard composed by saxophonist Charlie Parker in 1946. "Doodlin'" is a composition by Horace Silver. The original version, by Silver's quintet, was recorded in 1954 and has become a jazz standard

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for FSU faculty and staff, seniors and members of the military, \$3 for students and free for children 12 and younger. Tickets are available at the door. Cash and credit cards are accepted.

For info, contact FSU's Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

Irish Ensemble Téada to Appear at MCTA



Just in time for St. Patrick's Day, FSU's Mountain City Traditional Arts will host the traditional Irish ensemble Téada on **Tuesday, March 6**, at 7:30 p.m. at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The live entertainment is free and open to the public with a suggested donation of \$15.

Dedicated to bringing the music of Ireland to audiences around the globe, Téada has appeared as a frequent headliner at major music festivals throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Europe, Africa, Russia, the Middle East and Australia. This performance will feature Oisín Mac Diarmada, fiddle, Séamus Begley, vocals and button accordion, Seán McElwain, guitar, and Samantha Harvey, dance and accordion. Together, they'll deliver an exhilarating performance highlighting the enduring appeal of traditional Irish music and dance.

Diarmada has been described by The Irish Echo's Earle Hitchner as "one of the most gifted and creative traditional fiddlers playing today." Founder of Téada in 2001, he has also appeared as guest soloist with the Southern Georgia Symphony Orchestra and Württembergische Philharmonie Orchestra. Diarmada has an extensive recording history and has recently published a new book, "Fiddlers of Sligo Tunebook," along with fellow Sligo musician, Daithí Gormley.

West Kerry legend Begley is the quintessential Irish musician, famous for his sharp wit, voice and accordion playing. He has toured extensively with performers such as Altan, Steve Cooney and Mary Black. He has also recorded numerous duet albums with guitarists such as Steve Cooney, Jim Murray and Tim Edey; in early 2012, he released a duet album with Diarmada. Begley was the winner of the 2013 Gradam Ceoil TG4 Traditional Singer of the Year award.

McElwain brings a strong string dimension to Téada through his contributions on guitar. He is actively involved in organizing and running an annual weekend of music, "Scoil Cheoil na Botha," in his native County Monaghan and recently completed doctoral research on the music of his local area. The CD project that emerged from this research received a prestigious TG4 Gradam Ceol Award for Collaboration in 2016.

Harvey is an award-winning step dancer, pianist and accordionist who has performed throughout the world. Most recently, she performed in RTE's "Centenary 2016," broadcast live from the Bord Gáis Energy Theatre in Dublin, and with the Omaha Symphony in "A Celtic Journey."

For info, email MCTA at mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com or call 301-687-8040.

Theatre

CES at FSU to Present Swiss 'Musicians of Silence,' Mummenschanz, in 'you and me'



CES at FSU will present the famed Swiss performers of Mummenschanz in their production of "you and me" on **Tuesday, March 13**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Center's Drama Theatre.

For more than 45 years, the visionary theatre artists of Mummenschanz have brought myth, mystery and plenty of laughter to audiences around the world, using the universal language of movement to explore the human condition. With their latest production, "you and me," the troupe creates a playful and uniquely memorable experience through the inventive use of shadow, light and creative manipulation of expressive sculptural masks. The result is a visually stunning spectacle of family entertainment that sparks the imagination and transcends cultural barriers. The New York Times has pointed out that "the show is particularly vital to young audiences who've been raised on beeping gadgets and headphones, and rarely experience the extraordinary power of silence."

Tickets are \$24 for adults and \$21.60 for youth under 17. Member and group discount rates are also available. Tickets may be ordered online by visiting <http://ces.frostburg.edu> or by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For all CES performances, students can guarantee their seat by purchasing the discounted ticket price listed on promotional materials, or they can pick up free tickets at the door if any are available.

Information Sessions

National Student Exchange Program

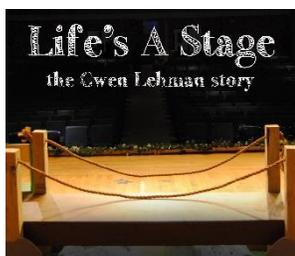
Study away through the National Student Exchange program! Pay your tuition here at FSU but study at one of almost 200 campuses nationwide. You could spend a semester in Colorado or a year in Alaska, even Hawaii!

Come to an information session on **Monday, Feb. 26**, at 3 p.m., or **Tuesday, Feb. 27**, at 3:30 p.m. Sessions will take place in Lane 109. Take new and exciting courses, see new places and meet new people with NSE!

For info, contact Amy Shimko at 301-687-4403.

Films

Frostburg Film Premiere – ‘Life’s a Stage’



Annie Danzi, an assistant professor in FSU’s Department of Communication, will premiere “Life’s a Stage,” the 45-minute film she produced and directed, on **Friday, March 2**, at the Frostburg Palace Theatre at 31 E. Main St. The red carpet event will be at 6:30 p.m. and the film screening at 7 p.m., with a question-and-answer period following at 7:45 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

“Life’s a Stage” is a documentary that explores the importance of performing arts education through the extraordinary work of educator Gwen Lehman. As public high schools across America suffer from lack of support for the arts, one school on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, Stephen Decatur High School, thrives because of the dedication and vision of one exceptional educator. For almost 50 years, Lehman gave her

all to the theatre program that she built from scratch and to the students who have become her legacy.

This film was crewed entirely by FSU undergraduate students. Danzi created this film production as an experiential learning opportunity for her students.

The film will also be publically screened on **Friday, March 9**, at 7 p.m. at the Ocean City Film Festival.

For info, visit <https://facebook.com/lifasastagedocumentary> or email Danzi at amdanzi@frostburg.edu.

Presentations

‘Klan-destine Relationships’ Author, Race Relations Activist to Speak on Meetings With KKK



Acclaimed blues musician, author, actor and activist Daryl Davis will speak about his book “Klan-destine Relationships,” which describes his experiences urging Ku Klux Klan members to leave that group. His presentation will be **Monday, Feb. 26**, at 7 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Davis has worked to understand the mindset of members of the hate group, sometimes going so far as to set up meetings with members without telling them he is a black man. He has befriended numerous Klan members who, based on his ability to listen and ability to approach them as individuals, have left behind the violent ideology. His book follows his relationships with these KKK members, as well as his own understanding of race, beginning

from childhood.

“Davis has made it his business to meet people who hate him,” wrote The Washington Post.

For info, contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at 301-687-4293 or abranam@frostburg.edu.

The Growing Opioid Epidemic and How Chemistry Can Be Used to Fight It

In the United States, overdose deaths from opioids have nearly tripled in the last 15 years. In 2016 alone, opioids claimed more than 30,000 lives.

Join the Western Maryland Section and Student Members of the American Chemical Society on **Tuesday, Feb. 27**, from 6:45 to 8 p.m. in Compton 327 for a special broadcast that will explain what makes these compounds so addictive, cover the treatments and medications being used to help those who suffer and profile the work that chemists are doing to make prescription painkillers safer and harder to abuse. Come and interact with an expert panel of medical experts and chemists to discover why this problem has become so widespread and how the power of chemistry can be used to fight the rising tide of addiction.

Additional info can be found at <http://bit.ly/2Brouwu>.

Student Erica Duda to Discuss ‘Oak Masting: A Tale in Tree Rings’



Erica Duda, a graduate student in FSU’s Department of Biology, will present “Oak Masting: A Tale in Tree Rings” on **Thursday, March 8**, at 7 p.m. in Compton 327. This event is free and open to the public.

Duda is using tree rings to help explain the history of oak masting (acorn production) in Western Maryland. Generally oak trees of the same species will mast synchronously across a landscape. Each oak group (black and white) will often alternate mast years so that species from the black oak group will not mast at the same time as species from the white oak group. What causes these events is not fully understood, and Duda will present the current hypotheses of this

phenomenon, as well as preliminary findings of a mast signal within tree rings. If a mast signal can be found in the tree rings, then that information can be used to study trends of the historic ecology of forests to help better manage forests in the future.

Appalachian Lab Presents Bill Hubrick of Maryland Biodiversity Project

The Appalachian Laboratory of the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science will welcome Bill Hubrick of the Maryland Biodiversity Project as the next speaker in the Watershed Moments Community Learning Series. This event will take place on **Thursday, March 8**, at 6:30 p.m. at 301 Braddock Road in Frostburg. Doors will open at 6 p.m. Seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Hubick will share breathtaking nature photographs and stories about the project's efforts to catalog the plants and animals of Maryland. Find out how you can be part of the Maryland Biodiversity Project and its mission to document Maryland natural history. A photography display during the event is also tentatively planned.

For info, contact Rhonda Schwinabart at 301-689-7102 or rschwinabart@umces.edu.

Area College Students Invited to Participate in Virtual Discussion on Eating on a College Budget



College students trying to figure how to eat on a small budget and cook in tight quarters are invited to participate in a community dialogue.

FSU's Communication Leadership Lab is partnering with Allegany College of Maryland and SHIFT Farm to Table Eatery to tackle this year's topic, "How to Eat Healthy Food on a College Student's Budget," as part of the third annual Eat Learn Shift session. A community dialogue will take place on **Wednesday, March 14**, from 3 to 5 p.m., with the opportunity for participants to respond to online discussions live.

Students are encouraged to join the event virtually at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/eatlearnshift> and via Instagram @eatlearnshift where discussion topics and meal ideas will be deliberated before, during and after the event. During the event, portions of the discussion will be broadcast live, so participants can ask questions and provide feedback during the event.

Eat Learn Shift will feature food and recipes prepared by FSU mass communication alumna **Jessica Clay**, owner of SHIFT Farm to Table Eatery, and students from both campuses. A cookbook, featuring low-cost, healthy recipes by Clay and students from ACM and FSU, is being created by Dr. Diane McMahon, associate professor of sociology and faculty director of the Service Learning and Civic Engagement Center at ACM, and her students. It will be distributed to participants. **Charles Schelle**, writer/communications specialist at FSU, is furnishing experiential learning opportunities for students by providing guidance for online community engagement.

The session will continue a deliberative discussion from last year using a National Issues Forums guide, titled "Land of Plenty: How Can We Ensure People Have the Food They Need?" The NIF guide resulted from the collaboration of members of a Kettering Foundation learning exchange that **Dr. Elesha Ruminski**, associate professor of communication studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, participated in when envisioning the Communication Leadership Lab in 2015-2016. The guide will be used again to initiate discussions that can, if sustained over time, lead to individual lifestyle changes and campus and community collaborations; students interns with the Communication Leadership Lab will help facilitate the discussion. The community can join the event virtually at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/eatlearnshift>.

For an overview of FSU's Leadership Residency Program experiences, visit www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead/scholar-in-residence-program. For info on Eat Learn Shift and related programs at FSU, contact Ruminski at elruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480. For info on the Communication Leadership Lab, go to www.frostburgdialogue.org.

CLAS Undergraduate Research Symposium Coming on May 4

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will host the annual Undergraduate Research Symposium on **Friday, May 4**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lane University Center. The symposium showcases the research and experiential learning projects of FSU's undergraduate students and provides participants the opportunity to present their work to their peers and share experiences across disciplines. The symposium will include poster presentations, oral presentations and physical displays representing work completed during summer 2017, fall 2017 or spring 2018.

For the registration form, visit the CLAS webpage at www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/Colleges/CLAS/CLAS-URS-Registration-Form-2018.doc or contact Dr. Karen Keller at kkeller@frostburg.edu. Registration forms are due by **Friday, March 16**, and must be submitted as an email attachment to Keller. Full project descriptions/abstracts will not be due with the registration form but will be due by **Friday, April 6**, as a separate email attachment to Keller.

For info, email Keller or call 301-687-4174, or contact Linda Steele at lsteele@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4137.

Points of Pride

Student Research on Mobile Augmented Reality Chosen for International Conference



Based on the printed text recognized by the knowledge learning system, a 3D virtual telescope is rendered and pops up out of a paper in a real-world scene.

Joseph Shipway '17, a student enrolled in FSU's online computer science master's program, had his research on mobile augmented reality (AR) selected for a prestigious international conference. The research paper, titled "Learning Enhancement With Mobile Augmented Reality," was presented at the 30th IS&T Electronic Imaging Conference in Burlingame, Calif., on Feb. 1. In this paper, the authors introduced a mobile knowledge learning system based on AR technology to improve the learning experiences for many users, including K-12 students. Part of the work was conducted when Shipway was an undergraduate student at FSU, where he graduated with honors. The research project was under the direction of **Dr. Xunyu Pan**, an associate professor in the Department of Computer Science and Information Technologies. For info, contact Pan at 301-687-4037 or xpan@frostburg.edu.

FSU Students to Present at MCHC Conference at FSU

Three FSU honors students will present research projects at the upcoming Maryland Collegiate Honors Council Conference, to be held at FSU on **Friday, March 2, and Saturday, March 3**. Held every year, the MCHC event features papers and posters by college-level honors students from throughout the state. **Madison Fick** will present a research paper, "Adultery and Infidelity in the 21st Century," which

analyzes how online social media platforms can facilitate illicit social and sexual interactions that ultimately challenge traditional relationships. **Andrea Constant** will show a poster, "Mass Incarceration and Prison Privatization," which explores specifically how incarceration in the United States intersects with the principles of commerce in the private sector. Lastly, **Andrew Wall** will present a poster, "Determining the Quality of White Oaks for Basketry Based on Wood Characteristics," which explores how available natural resources greatly shape the production of wooden baskets in the Appalachian region.

To register for the upcoming MCHC conference, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/academics/registration-for-maryland-collegiate-honors-council-conference.php>.

Take Note

Cru Event – ‘Gospel and Social Justice’

Injustice, oppression and abuse overshadow society, scarring both courtrooms and living rooms around the world. These evils have created deep pain in the hearts of millions of Americans, and they happen within our own communities. Things seem dark and hopeless, but many believe Jesus offers hope and light beyond what the oppressor can contain. If you would like to hear more about this light in the midst of darkness, come to the Lane Atkinson Room (232) on **Thursday, March 1**, at 8 p.m. for this Cru-sponsored event, "Gospel and Social Justice: Hope for Justice."

For info, contact Jordan Beachy at jbeachy0@frostburg.edu.

Focus Frostburg – Call for Presentations



Focus Frostburg, FSU's annual day of learning on sustainability and climate awareness, will be held this year on **Wednesday, April 18**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with an evening program to be scheduled, in the Lane University Center. The event is free and open to FSU students, faculty, staff and the community.

Student presentations would make a great class activity. Poster presentations are welcome. Hands-on activities, workshops and demonstrations are strongly encouraged.

To participate, email Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogerstomas@frostburg.edu and submit a presentation/workshop title and one- or two-sentence abstract of a topic. Topics may be varied but should cover a sustainability, environment or climate awareness issue. All presentations should span a maximum of 50 minutes, since the normal MWF class schedule will be followed. If more time is needed, content can be carried over into a second session. In your response, indicate if there is a preferred time of day when you would like to present. Room space for presentations is limited. Be sure to confirm your interest by **Friday, March 2**.

Faculty, if your course covers related themes, consider having your class meet for one of these sessions. As in previous years, faculty may want to have students, as appropriate, attend a Focus Frostburg session in lieu of class or make any of the seminars and activities an extra-credit assignment.

Seeking ORIE 101 Student Success Mentors

The Center for Academic Advising and Retention is looking for student success mentors to help guide new students in reaching their academic goals as they start their new and exciting journey into college life in fall 2018.

SSMs assist first-year students enrolled in FSU's ORIE 101 course with the transition to college. They create an inclusive community by connecting students with different areas of student life such as social activities, clubs/organization and residence life. In addition, SSMs will provide ORIE 101 faculty members with the student perspective, so the program may address the varying needs of first-time college students.

To be considered for the position, you must have completed at least one fall or spring term of study at FSU, have a cumulative grade point average of 2.75, be in good academic and student conduct standing and possess excellent verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills. It is recommended that applicants speak to an ORIE instructor with whom they would like to work during the fall 2018 semester, since ORIE instructors have the final say on who is hired to work with their section.

Following the application process, students meeting the minimum qualifications will be invited to participate in a group and/or individual interview. Note that all positions may not be filled until after Preview FSU in the summer.

Online applications may be completed at

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=0V75uBggRkKBBA0mdHjTo70LqUsuCTdHrk9rBRlhkrZUNE9PMjZEOjY2NExFV0ZGRUZRUQdISzRLUS4u> through 11:59 p.m. on **Friday, March 9**.

For info, contact Keith Davidson at kedavidson@frostburg.edu.

Nominations for Leadership Awards



Attention all Bobcats! The 2017-2018 Leadership Awards are just around the corner and nominations for Bobcat leaders are being accepted. Know a great student leader? Had a professor that went above and beyond? An advisor? A staff member? To see the award categories, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/leadership-and-experiential-learning/leadership-and-experiential-learning-office/leadership-awards/index.php>, or to directly nominate someone, go to <https://www.frostburg.edu/clife/leadership/leadership-awards/nominate>. The last day to submit nominations is **Monday, April 2**.

For info, contact the Office of Leadership and Experiential Learning at 301-687-7013 or leadership@frostburg.edu.

Upcoming BURG Events



BURG's General Body Meeting will be on **Thursday, March 1**, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in Lane 113.

For info, contact Jessica Cebula at jlcebula0@frostburg.edu.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It's not too early to be thinking about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Thursday, May 24**, in the Cordts PE Center. The Colleges of Business and Education will be held at 9:30 a.m., and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at 2 p.m.

Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets allotted per graduate will be announced at a later date.

If you have not applied for graduation, contact the Registrar's Office to submit your application and to ensure everything is in order for you to graduate in May.

The first of two Commencement mailings will be sent in **mid-March** to your local and permanent addresses. Check your PAWS account to make sure your home address is correct. If you need to update your home address, you may send an email from your FSU account to the Registrar's Office at reginfo@frostburg.edu.

Caps and gowns are provided at no cost to all graduates and may be ordered online at <http://bookstore.frostburg.edu>. Your order must be placed by **Monday, March 19**.

A Grad Fair will be held **Tuesday, May 15**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the University Store in the Lane Center. If you have ordered your cap and gown and selected pick up at the Frostburg Main Campus, it will be available for pickup at the Grad Fair. Those who pick up orders at the fair will receive a coupon for 30 percent off one apparel item at the University Store. You will also have the opportunity to pick up your graduation tickets, enter drawings, purchase graduation merchandise and more.

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

Jobs

Upward Bound Tutor/Counselors

Upward Bound is seeking tutor/counselors for its summer residential program on FSU's campus (three- and six-week programs). Upward Bound is a federally funded program that encourages qualified Allegany County high school students to seek education beyond secondary school. The summer residence program provides the main focus and aims to provide students with a sample of the college experience.

Tentative dates for the three-week program are **Sunday, June 10, through Friday, July 6**, and for the six-week program are **Sunday, June 10, through Friday, July 27**. One week of training is included. The salary for a three-week tutor/counselor is \$1,150, plus room and board, and for a six-week tutor/counselor is \$2,000, plus room and board. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, March 1**.

For info, contact the Upward Bound office at 301-687-4994, email esteele@frostburg.edu or visit www.frostburg.edu/UpwardBound.

Pass Office Seeks Student Instructors

FSU's PASS Office is looking for student instructors for its fall 2018 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/or application materials, contact Kim Kurek at kmkurek@frostburg.edu. Applications are due **Friday, March 16**.

FSU-TV3

FSU-TV3's Newest Series – 'The Frostburg Minute'



Check out FSU-TV3's newest show, "The Frostburg Minute." It is executive-produced by Brian Lang and featured on the cable channel and the website. Each student in the MCOM 101 TV Practicum class will produce an episode from two to five minutes. To see the first episode, log on to <https://www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming/communityevents>.

Follow FSU-TV3 on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3>, Twitter at <https://twitter.com/fsutv3> and Instagram at <https://instagram.com/fsutv3>.

UCM

Community and Campus 2018 Lenten Observances

Note: Lenten Prayer Journey Devotionals are available in the UCM office or on request.

Every Wednesday – through March 21, 6 p.m., St. John’s Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall. A free Lenten community dinner will be followed by a brief worship service and prayers presented by Frostburg Ministerium clergy. The Lenten offering taken during these worship events will go to the Flood Relief UCM project.

United Campus Ministry events are open to all, and members are encouraged to bring friends. For info, contact Chaplain Cindy Zirlott at 301-687-7490 or c.zirlott@frostburg.edu.

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Apartments – FSU’s Only On-Campus Apartments – Fall 2018

Edgewood Commons Apartments is accepting applications for the fall semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. Online housing application can be found at www.EdgewoodFSU.com.

Single bedroom apartment layouts include a four-bed/two-bath and two-bed/two-bath apartment. All apartments come with furniture and appliances, including a washer and dryer. Utilities [gas, electricity, water, Internet and cable (HBO)] are included in the contract fee.

Stop by for a tour Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or call 301-689-1370 to find out about availability.

Study Abroad

For info, contact Sarah Heilig at 301-687-4747 or seheilig@frostburg.edu.

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



Zachary Cunningham in Thailand (summer 2017)

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. There are also exchange programs available that allow students to pay FSU tuition prices.

Study Abroad and International Fair

Students, faculty and staff are invited to attend the Study Abroad and International Fair on **Tuesday, March 13**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. Representatives from various study abroad programs and former study abroad students will be available to answer questions about overseas opportunities. In addition, FSU’s international students will exhibit displays of their countries and will be available to talk about their cultures. There will also be drawings for free prizes! Faculty are encouraged to attend to learn more about faculty-led study abroad trips.

Community

CTN Voter Project

The Cumberland Times-News is working on a project as part of its chain of news organizations (CNHI, LLC) called Pulse of the Voters. It will focus on how citizens feel about the direction of the country, Donald Trump and his presidency, but is not limited to the White House.

The Times-News is reaching out to a variety of businesses, groups and individuals in an attempt to get a cross section of thought and would like members of the campus community to participate.

Every quarter or so, they will send you a few questions and ask you to email brief answers.

To get involved, email msawyers@times-news.com to get started.

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.

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VALUES AND VISION: FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

CORE VALUES

- Frostburg State University is a place where every student can experience a myriad of opportunities both in and out of the classroom, fostered by a sense of inclusion and close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.
- Frostburg State University is committed to developing cultural competence and cultivating understanding of and respect for a diversity of experiences and world views that encourage each person's ability to "take the perspective of the other."
- Frostburg State University is committed to a system of shared governance that allows faculty, staff and students to learn about the issues the University confronts and that provides a structure for meaningful input into University decisions.

OUR VISION FOR FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

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

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.