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The AASCU-Penson Center for Professional Development has rolled out their new website. Check it out at www.aascupenson.org



Still Time to Participate in the Excellence and Innovation Awards

The deadline for entering one of your outstanding programs in AASCU's Excellence and Innovation Awards is April 24. **Visit the website** for award categories and criteria.



Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting

Find out more about the ADP/TDC/NASPA national meeting, "Stewardship of Place: A Civic Mission of Higher Education," scheduled for June 4-6 in New Orleans. For conference information visit aascu.org/meetings/clde15

Programs

California State University, Northridge

The posters feature actual California State University, Northridge students reminding their peers that together they can stop sexual violence. The message is repeated in videos featuring CSUN student-athletes and leaders played during games in the Matadome and on the student government YouTube channel. The videos, posters and new brochures that detail the rights and options for survivors of sexual violence are all part of an ongoing campus wide campaign to educate CSUN community members about ways to combat sexual violence and make the campus safer. **Read more**

Lincoln University of Missouri

Lincoln University has entered into an agreement with six local, county and state agencies and organizations to provide job training for high school students with development disabilities. **Read more**

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The Mediterranean diet – with its emphasis on seafood, olive oil and fresh ingredients – is the subject of a Winthrop University class and study-abroad trip. Called the Nutritional Biochemistry of the Mediterranean Diet, the class has 21 students checking out the healthy aspects of Italian and French living. The culminating activity is a May 14-23 trip to Nice, France, and then on to Modena, Florence, and Rome in Italy. Read more

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Grants and Gifts

North Carolina Central University

The NCCU School of Law has received a \$250,000 gift from John D. Fassett, attorney and former U.S. Supreme Court law clerk at the time of the 1954 Brown v. Board of Education decision. The gift will assist the School of Law in creating an endowed professorship for a faculty member who can make contributions to legal reform in areas of constitutional law, human rights and civil rights. Read more

Southeast Missouri State University

Architectural plans are being drawn for a new Rice Research Greenhouse at Southeast Missouri State University-Malden that is expected to broaden area rice breeding efforts spearheaded by the Missouri Rice Research and Merchandising Council with support from Southeast's Department of Agriculture. The \$115,000 greenhouse is being funded in part with a \$100,000 USDA Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) targeted at supporting rice breeding research and developing new rice breeding techniques. Read more

SUNY Oswego

A major National Science Foundation grant recognizes the research and accomplishments of SUNY Oswego biological sciences faculty member Christopher Chandler while providing research opportunities for his students at Oswego and overseas. The grant of more than \$640,000 over five years will enable continued and advanced genetics study for Chandler and his students. Read more

West Chester University (Pa.)

Associate Professor of Flute Kimberly Reighley has won a \$10,000 master's fellowship from the Delaware Division of the Arts. The DDOA granted only one master's award this year. Reighley, who is principal flute with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra and OperaDelaware, is a previous winner of a DDOA Individual Artist Fellowship. Read more

Western Connecticut State University

Ethan Allen Interiors CEO Farooq Kathwari and his family have given Western Connecticut State University a \$1 million gift to endow the Honors Program at WCSU. The endowment will support scholarships and programming for honors students. Read more

Western Washington University

A team of Western Washington students and one University of Washington student were awarded a \$75,000 first-place grant at the Environmental Protection Agency "P3: People, Prosperity and the Planet" competition in Washington, D.C. The team of chemistry, engineering, design and business students presented a prototype of a Smart Solar Window at the competition. Read more

Winthrop University (S.C.)

One piece of advice from a math professor had a profound impact on Sadie Boyer's career and life. Nearly 60 years later, she's had the opportunity to thank her professor's family and pay forward that kindness through a scholarship for young women pursuing STEM careers. Boyer's connection with

the late professor's family helped her decide to make two major gifts totaling more than \$26,000 to the Sadie Livingston Boyer – Dale Boyer Endowed Scholarship Fund. **Read more**

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Awards and Honors

Angelo State University (Texas)

- Suzanne Campbell, head of the Dr. Ralph R. Chase West Texas Collection at Angelo State
 University, has been named a fellow of the West Texas Historical Association (WTHA) in
 recognition of her numerous contributions to the study and preservation of West Texas history.
 Read more
- Dr. Joseph Satterfield of the Angelo State University geosciences faculty has been selected to receive the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) Foundation's 2015
 Professorial Award and will be honored at the AAPG Annual Convention and Exhibition in Denver, Colo. Read more

West Chester University (Pa.)

- Initiatives to promote women's heart health have led Joanne Christaldi, a nutrition educator and advocate for women's heart health, to being recognized with the Campbell Soup Company's Healthy Heart Award. **Read more**
- Paul Morgan, professor of Professional and Secondary Education and director of the
 undergraduate and graduate certificate programs in Education for Sustainability, has been
 elected chair of the board of directors for the Amazon Center for Environmental Education and
 Research (ACEER). Read more

Winthrop University (S.C.)

Winthrop University faculty member Kristi L. Schoepfer received the President's Award in March from the Sport and Recreation Law Association, which is made up of more than 100 members. It gives the annual award to the member who has given the greatest level of service to the organization. **Read more**

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Spotlight

Angelo State University (Texas)

- Angelo State University's Epsilon Sigma chapter of the Beta Beta Beta (Tri-Beta) biology honor society was named the Outstanding Chapter in District 2 for the 2014-15 academic year at the Tri-Beta South Central Regional Convention. Read more
- Zachary Wimpee, a physics and mathematics major and member of the Angelo State University
 Honors Program, has been selected for the 2015 University of Michigan Research Semester at
 CERN program in Geneva, Switzerland, and will receive up to \$10,000 for travel and support

expenses. Read more

- Stephen Pena, a mathematics major and computer science minor at Angelo State University, won the Best Research Poster Award at the first University of Texas at Dallas Undergraduate Research Expo in Computer Science on April 11 at the UT-Dallas campus in Richardson. Read more
- Jacob Spiller, a cadet in Angelo State University's Air Force ROTC Detachment 847, has been selected as the Cadet of the Year for the Southwest Region. Spiller was chosen for the award from 3,500 cadets in the Southwest Region, which is comprised of 11 states and 36 Air Force ROTC detachments. Read more

California State University Channel Islands

- CSU Channel Islands (CI) enters Earth Week with a national award and an Earth Day celebration
 that grew from one booth in 2014 into a 30-display extravaganza in 2015. Students in CI's
 University Experience Program are responsible for creating this year's celebration. For the third
 year in a row, the Arbor Day Foundation has named CI a "Tree Campus" in honor of its
 commitment to planting and nurturing its trees. Read more
- CSU Channel Islands (CI)'s student affiliate of the American Chemical Society (ACS) received an award recently at the American Chemical Society National Meeting in Denver, Colorado.
 Community outreach projects likely helped them earn a Student Chapter Commendable Award for the 2013-2014 academic year. Read more

California State University, Los Angeles

A team of Cal State L.A. students from the Food Science and Technology Program created a unique sweet-and-spicy snack bar that won the top award at a recent food industry competition. The 2015 Student Product Development Competition was held by the Southern California Institute of Food Technologists Section as a part of the 28th annual Southern California Food Industry Conference in Anaheim. **Read more**

Georgia College

Georgia College senior sociology major Ashlyn Douglas received the Newman Civic Fellows Award. This is the second year a Georgia College nominated student has garnered this national award from Campus Compact sponsored by the KPMG Foundation. The fellows are selected because of their work at better understanding the root causes of social issues and effective mechanisms for creating lasting change. **Read more**

Millersville University (Pa.)

- Ruth Boykin is Millersville University's first Frederick Douglass Visiting Teaching Scholar. In
 keeping with Frederick Douglass's life of public service and commitment to equity and access,
 the Frederick Douglass Institutes of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education
 (PASSHE) offer teaching opportunities to qualified graduate students who are pursuing careers
 as university faculty and who are entering the final year of terminal degree and/or doctoral
 programs. Read more
- Millersville University student Chloe Singer won a grant to benefit Aaron's Acres, a nonprofit
 organization that provides children and young adults with special needs recreational programs
 throughout Lancaster, Berks and Dauphin counties. Singer, a senior from Nazareth, Pa., is
 majoring in early childhood/special education. Read more

Southeast Missouri State University

- Cybersecurity students at Southeast Missouri State University took third place at the 2015
 Midwest Regional Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (CCDC) in Chicago. Southeast's team
 advanced to the competition after taking first place for the third straight year at the Missouri
 Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition. Read more
- Douglas Mastriano has been selected as the winner of the Crader Family Book Prize in American Values for his book, "Alvin York: A New Biography of the Hero of the Argonne," published by University Press of Kentucky. Mastriano is a colonel in the U.S. Army and a combat veteran of Iraq (Desert Storm) and Afghanistan. York (1887–1964), the subject of Mastriano's book, was a conscientious objector, a reluctant hero of World War I and one of America's most famous and celebrated soldiers. Read more
- The Arrow, Southeast Missouri State University's student newspaper, was named the 2015 Best
 in State Newspaper and earned 10 other awards at the Missouri College Media Association
 convention at Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, Mo. In addition to bringing
 home the Avis Meyer Perpetual Cup for Best in State honors, the Arrow also was named Best
 Overall Newspaper for Division I. Read more

Stockton University (N.J.)

Many adults in New Jersey do not know basic facts about the U.S. Supreme Court and the U.S. Constitution, according to research by two Stockton University professors. In a statewide poll assessing the public's knowledge of the Court and Constitution, 54 percent could not name a single Supreme Court justice, and 62 percent did not know that nine justices serve on the Court. The findings are based on a survey of 806 New Jersey adults conducted by the Stockton Polling Institute. **Read more**

University of Houston-Victoria

A top accreditation, small faculty-to-student ratio and diverse student body are three reasons why the University of Houston-Victoria recently was placed on an international list of best online Master of Business Administration programs. **Read more**

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