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Past Meetings Handouts and Presentations

The Annual Meeting 2013 and Global Challenges Institute 2013 handouts and presentations are available online. Visit www.aascu.org/meetings/presentations/ to download the files.

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Programs

Cleveland State University (Ohio)

Cleveland State University has beta tested and launched a new cutting-edge smartphone app that can identify a user's location and send police help with the single touch of a button. CSU is the first campus in the nation to implement the new system, developed by 911Cellular of Beachwood, Ohio. [Read more](#)

Frostburg State University (Md.)

Maryland health and higher education leaders have formed a new Maryland Collaborative to Reduce College Drinking and Related Problems, with its first products being a comprehensive report about the issue and a Guide to Best Practices accompanied by an interactive website. Hosted jointly by the University System of Maryland and the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, the collaborative brings together presidents of 10 institutions across the state, co-chaired by USM Chancellor Brit Kirwan and Johns Hopkins President Ronald J. Daniels. Participating schools will develop "multi-level" interventions, incorporating more evidence-based practices in activities targeting individual students, parents and the larger environments in which college student drinking occurs. AASCU schools in the collaborative include Frostburg State University, Towson University, University of Maryland Eastern Shore and the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. [Read more](#)

SUNY Oswego

SUNY Oswego has moved to take advantage of the economic development and educational opportunities presented by the governor's recently launched START-UP NY program, selecting three campus properties to showcase to businesses, meeting with prospects and faculty, and beginning to assemble an advisory council. The work this fall also has included aligning the college's core academic competencies with potential business interests. [Read more](#)

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Grants and Gifts

California State University, Los Angeles

California State University, Los Angeles was recently awarded a three-year \$900,000 grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to launch an HIV and substance abuse prevention program titled "Project Choice-CSULA." [Read more](#)

Edinboro University (Pa.)

The Edinboro University Art Department was awarded an \$80,000 grant by the Windgate Charitable Foundation of Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Associate professor Karen Ernst, who teaches woodworking and furniture design, secured the grant, which provides \$50,000 designated for studio equipment and \$30,000 for scholarships for students in the Crafts disciplines. [Read more](#)

Lehman College (N.Y.)

This fall, Lehman College and the City University of New York (CUNY) recognized the work, accomplishments, and sacrifices of graduate students by offering a scholarship award intended to help students who are exceptional in their studies and in need of financial assistance. More than 180 graduate students were recognized with the award \$540 each the first such graduate studies scholarship to be awarded by CUNY. [Read more](#)

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey recently received three contracts totaling \$2.2 million from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Division of Child Protection and Permanency. The grant is intended to provide social work education and professional training for current and future employees in New Jersey's public child welfare system. The three programs funded by these contracts support the Child Welfare Education Institute, part of the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Stockton in Galloway, New Jersey.

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University of Houston-Clear Lake

Student programming remains important to University of Houston-Clear Lake and a \$1.7 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education will give the university an opportunity to strengthen programming initiatives. [Read more](#)

Winthrop University (S.C.)

The Humanities Council recently awarded the Winthrop University Foundation a planning grant to research the establishment of the Winthrop University campus in Rock Hill. The grant will focus primarily on the construction of Tillman Hall, which was completed immediately prior to Winthrop's October 15, 1895, opening exercises. The Richardsonian Romanesque-style building was conceived as a spectacular structure signifying the progressive purposes of South Carolina's first state-supported college for women. [Read more](#)

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Presidential Honors

University of West Florida

University of West Florida president, Judy Bense, has been recognized by Florida State University

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as a, "Grad Made Good," the highest award given to alumni by the Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa and the FSU Alumni Association. Each year, the FSU Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa and the Alumni Association honors three alumni who have made a significant difference through outstanding success in their chosen fields. [Read more](#)

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Awards and Honors

Edinboro University (Pa.)

David Hurd, professor of Geosciences and planetarium director at Edinboro University, was invited by NASA to attend the launch of the Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution (MAVEN) mission, which launched from Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Hurd was also on hand at the public events leading up to the launch to help enlighten the public on the mission as well as share copies of his tactile books, Getting a Feel for Lunar Craters and Mars Science Laboratory.

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Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Indiana University of Pennsylvania's University Chorale was honored by the American Chorale Directors Association. [Read more](#)

Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

VPA Dean John O'Connell received the Margaret Ann Keegan Arts Educator of the Year Award and music performance major Hope Arthur received the Outstanding Arts Collaboration Award from Arts United. The organization presents the annual Artie Awards in celebration of the outstanding people and organizations who are making significant contributions to communities in northeast Indiana through arts and culture. [Read more](#)

Saginaw Valley State University (Mich.)

Saginaw Valley State University's Peer Health Education group has received national praise for their work to encourage fellow students to make healthy decisions. The student-led group won an Outstanding BACCHUS Affiliate award at the BACCHUS General Assembly Conference in Reston, Va. [Read more](#)

University of Central Florida

University of Central Florida professor, Kevin Belfield, recently received the American Astronautical Society Fellowship for his work with lasers. Belfield uses lasers to track down cancerous cells and develop high-capacity storage units. [Read more](#)

University of North Georgia

The Office of University Advancement at the University of North Georgia (UNG) has been recognized by the Georgia Education Advancement Council Inc. (GEAC), a statewide organization for professionals in educational advancement including the areas of alumni, development, publications and communications. [Read more](#)

Western Washington University

Western Washington University's Scott Linneman, professor of Geology and Science Education, has been selected as the 2013 Washington Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

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Winthrop University (S.C.)

- Irene Boland, a Winthrop University geology professor, was among the York County educators honored for their hard work and dedication at Events at Manchester. The recognition came as part of the teachers of the year awards for educators at public, private and higher education institutions. [Read more](#)
- Winthrop University's successful partnership with a Chester County school was recognized recently with the 2013 Dick and Tunky Riley WhatWorksSC Award for Excellence. The award, which highlights innovative educational initiatives throughout the state, was presented to Chester Park Elementary School of Inquiry for its project-based learning initiative. [Read more](#)
- Winthrop University's professor Shelley Hamill has been named the South Carolina Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance's (SCAHPERD) 2013-14 Scholar. She has been active in the alliance for 14 years and currently serves as its president. As a scholar, she, along with associate professor of management and marketing, Keith Benson, will present research on volunteers in disaster situations. [Read more](#)

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Spotlight

Angelo State University (Texas)

Angelo State University's Meat Judging Team finished second out of 19 teams and placed three individuals in the top 10 at the 2013 American Meat Science Association's (AMSA) International Meat Judging Contest in Dakota City, Neb. The AMSA International is considered the national championship of collegiate meat judging, and as runner-up, ASU is the 2013 Reserve National Champion. It is the highest finish ever for ASU at the national contest. [Read more](#)

California State University, Northridge

Bill Cosby and his director Robert Townsend are selecting California State University, Northridge film students to capture the behind-the-scenes footage for the new Comedy Central special "Bill Cosby: Far From Finished." "Far From Finished" marks Cosby's first television concert special in 30 years. The special comprises of footage taken from the television icon's June performance at the Cerritos Performing Arts Center. [Read more](#)

Edinboro University (Pa.)

- Caiden Feldmiller, a spring 2013 summa cum laude graduate of Edinboro University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Writing, is celebrating the release of his first chapbook of poems, titled *Pig, Smoking*. Feldmiller completed the manuscript at EU, while enrolled in thesis seminar in writing with professor John Repp. Saddle Road Press chose the manuscript as the first book in their Forty-Three North Series. [Read more](#)
- Angie Seykora, who received a Master of Fine Arts degree with a concentration in Sculpture from Edinboro University in May 2013, has been honored with the 2013 International Sculpture Center (ISC) Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award. Seykora's work was included in the October 2013 issue of *Sculpture Magazine*, along with the name of her university and her faculty sponsor, D.W. Martin. [Read more](#)

Frostburg State University (Md.)

EHOSTARS, a Frostburg State University student group of 60 AmeriCorps members, received two statewide awards in one week: the Community Partnership Award from Maryland-DC Campus Compact and a Governor's Service Award as a Special AmeriCorps Honoree. The Community Partnership Award recognizes one outstanding campus-community partnership that produces improvements in people's lives and enhances higher education. [Read more](#)

Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

James Schwartz, a sophomore computer and electrical engineering technology major, is one of over 700 American undergraduate students from 341 colleges and universities across the U.S. selected to receive the prestigious Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Schwartz will study abroad in Australia during the Spring 2014 academic term. [Read more](#)

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Luis Almeida, communications media department faculty member, was featured as part of a live interactive presentation at TEDxPhoenixville, a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideals Worth Spreading. Almeida used this platform to share his insights, which celebrate the creative, innovative and inspiring happening right here and around the world. Almeida is a professor who focuses on inspiring students to think differently by using tutorials, podcasts, games, and simulations to keep engagement in and out of the classroom. [Read more](#)

Lehman College (N.Y.)

- Researchers at Lehman College have discovered a novel mechanism for killing cancer cells and are engaged in clinical trials for a variety of human tumors. It is a new generation of medication that could give doctors fresh alternatives in combining drug therapies with radiation or chemotherapy, while lessening side effects on the patient. The team has identified the molecule that plays a pivotal role in killing human cancer cells while not affecting normal cells. Lead researcher professor Moira Sauane and her team published their discovery in August 2013 in the journal Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications. Now with a patent pending, they are applying the knowledge to begin designing more effective drugs to attack cancer and make it more treatable. [Read more](#)
- Lehman College alumna and New York City Councilwoman Letitia James has been elected Public Advocate for the City of New York, the first African-American woman to hold citywide office. She succeeds Bill De Blasio, who recently was elected Mayor of New York City. [Read more](#)

Millersville University of Pennsylvania

- Weather readings may be coming from our own cars soon thanks to the work of a Millersville University professor and his students. Gary Zoppetti, a computer science professor, and Albert Peterlin, president of the environmental consulting firm Errex Inc., have been working together since mid-July to develop a weather sensory device that could be in every car on the market in just a few years. Millersville students have been involved since the beginning of the project, helping with the construction and programming of a vehicle interface. Two computer science students are currently working with Zoppetti. [Read more](#)
- Several students from Millersville University brought home first place awards for their audio and video productions presented at the recent National Broadcasting Society (NBS) Freedom States regional video competition. Millersville's NBS AERho Chapter hosted four different colleges and universities who submitted 60 production entries in 20 different audio and video categories at the NBS Freedom States regional video competition. In addition, more

than 20 alumni from Millersville's communications & theatre department served as judges for the competition and 34 Millersville students received awards in the competition. [Read more](#)

- The Millersville University women's rugby team has attracted considerable attention recently by advancing to the National Small College Rugby Organization (NSCRO) Semifinals for the first time since the club was started. The top four teams will compete in the NSCRO semifinals. [Read more](#)

Pittsburg State University (Kan.)

Kansas State Department of Education officials held a special recognition ceremony last week for Pittsburg State University's Wood Technology program. Pitt State wood technology faculty Doug Hague and Charlie Phillips spent nearly 800 hours building the desk, tables and cabinets that now serve as centerpieces for the KSDE's board room. [Read more](#)

SUNY Buffalo State

SUNY Buffalo State is providing its students in the Technology program with cutting-edge technology in the form of 3D printers that are changing the way the world is manufacturing goods, producing food and even replicating body organs. [Read more](#)

University of Central Florida

Back in 2008, Chris Castro and Henry Harding founded the sustainability nonprofit IDEAS while they were both students at the University of Central Florida. Since then the nonprofit has been accredited by the United Nations, recognized by U.S. presidents, participated in a number of international environmental conferences and has 15 chapters worldwide. [Read more](#)

University of Central Oklahoma

University of Central Oklahoma Department of Design chair Ruki Ravikumar facilitated and moderated the Middle East Design Educators Association's (MEDEA) first symposium, in Doha, Qatar. The MEDEA serves as an inspirational and informational platform that enables educators and practitioners in the Middle East to internationally share ideas, methods, challenges and opportunities, ensuring they have a voice and presence in the global conversation on design education. [Read more](#)

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