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FSU Again Honored With Tree Campus USA Recognition



FSU has once again been honored with Tree Campus Higher Education recognition by the Arbor Day Foundation for its commitment to effective urban forest management.

The Tree Campus Higher Education program honors colleges and universities for effective campus forest management and for engaging staff and students in conservation goals. FSU achieved the title by meeting Tree Campus Higher Education's five standards, which include maintaining a tree advisory committee, a campus tree-care plan, dedicated annual expenditures for its campus tree program, an Arbor Day observance and student service-learning project. Currently, there are 403

campuses across the U.S. with this recognition.

The Arbor Day Foundation has helped campuses throughout the country plant thousands of trees, and Tree Campus Higher Education colleges and universities invested more than \$51 million in campus forest management last year. This work directly supports the Arbor Day Foundation's Time for Trees initiative — an unprecedented effort to plant 100 million trees in forests and communities and inspire 5 million tree planters by 2022. Last year, Tree Campus Higher Education schools collectively planted 39,178 trees and engaged 81,535 tree planters.

For info, contact Dr. David Puthoff at dpputhoff@frostburg.edu or visit treecampushigher.org.

Help for Students

Have Issues or Concerns?

Be sure to continue to pass on your concerns to **President Nowaczyk** at president@frostburg.edu or, for specific academic issues, to **Dr. Michael Mathias** at provost@frostburg.edu. Students with individual concerns can be directed to resources by emailing spring2021@frostburg.edu. And for the spring 2021 plan and information, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/spring2021>.

Do You Need to Report an Incident?

FSU is a vibrant community of scholars and educators. To ensure its values as an institution are promoted, students, faculty and staff are asked to adhere to a set of community standards.

If you observe behavior that is counter to FSU's values, be sure to report the conduct to the most appropriate department using one of the referral forms. If you have questions or concerns about which referral form is most appropriate, contact Carl Crowe, dean of Students, in the Office of Student Affairs at 301-687-4312.

Any member of the University community in need of support can reach out to Counseling and Psychological Services at <https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/campus-services/caps>, the University Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at

<https://www.frostburg.edu/student-life/campus-services/center-for-student-diversity-equity-and-inclusion/diversity-committees.php> or Student Affairs at <https://www.frostburg.edu/about-frostburg/student-affairs/index.php>. Students can report an incident at <https://www.frostburg.edu/reporting-an-incident.php>.

A Message From CAPS

If you are having difficulty taking care of your daily needs and/or notice that your mood has been more depressed or anxious, you are not alone. Help is available at Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Counseling is being provided over confidential tele-health programs.

If you are interested in individual counseling or participating in one of the groups CAPS offers, call 301-687-4234.

If you need of immediate support, call 301-687-4234 during business hours or 301-687-4223 in the evening or on the weekend.

Other crisis resources are available at:

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255

Trevor LifeLine: 1-866-488-7386

Veterans' Crisis Hotline: 1-877-VET2VET (1-877-838-2838)

Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741 for free, 24/7 crisis counseling

911

Virtual Speaker Series

CES and Student Activities Present Nat Geo Live's 'Women and Migration'



FSU's Cultural Events Series and the FSU Student Activities program will present "Women and Migration," a free streaming event from the National Geographic Live Virtual Speaker Series, on **Tuesday, April 13**, at 7 p.m.

Photographers Danielle Villasana, Miora Rajaonary and Saiyna Bashir will join photo editor Jennifer Samuel to discuss their latest project, which documents social, economic, political and climate issues that push and pull women from their homes. Stories span the globe in

countries, including Honduras, Mexico, Pakistan, Zimbabwe and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

This event requires prior registration by visiting tickets.frostburg.edu. For info, contact ces@frostburg.edu.

Theatre and Dance

Department of Theatre and Dance Presents Live Performance of 'The Spoon River Project'

FSU's Department of Theatre and Dance, in partnership with the Cultural Events Series, will present a live performance of "The Spoon River Project" **Thursday, April 8, through Saturday, April 10**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Drama Theatre of the Pealer Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are available to FSU students, faculty and staff only due to COVID restrictions and guidelines.

Directed by FSU's **Mairzy Yost-Rushton**, this beautifully haunting play is based on Edgar Lee Masters' "Spoon River Anthology" and adapted by Tom Andolara. In it, nearly 50 former residents of Spoon River, all of whom have come back from the dead to share the secrets they've taken with them to the grave, examine life and the longing for what might have been. As the citizens reflect on the dreams, secrets and regrets of their lives, they paint a gritty and honest portrait of the town as all of their pasts are illuminated.

"Spoon River Anthology" (1915) is a collection of short free-verse poems that collectively narrates the epitaphs of the residents of Spoon River, a fictional small town named after the Spoon River, which ran near Masters' hometown of Lewistown, Ill. The aim of the poems is to demystify rural and small-town American life.

The creative team of "The Spoon River Project" includes **Grace LaCount** as Sarah Brown, Margaret Fuller Slack, Mrs. Purkapile and Zilpha Marsh; **Kasey Taylor**, featured soloist, as Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Merritt and Daisy Frasier; **Laura Frederick**, soloist, as Elsa Wertman, Mrs. Meyers, Hannah Armstrong and Lucinda Matlock; **Luke Vought** as Archibald Higbie, Harry Wilmans, Doc Hill and Searcy Foote; **Brendon Eric McCabe**, featured soloist, as Daniel M'Cumber, Elmer Karr, Hamilton Greene and Fiddler Jones; **Madilyn McManaway** as Flossie Cabanis, Nellie Clark, Mary McNeely and Lydia Puckett; **Christopher Blackwell** as Walter Simmons, Abel Melveny, Clarence Fawcett and Richard Bone; **Brian Records**, soloist, as George Gray, Tom Merritt, Knowlt Hoheimer and Doctor Meyers; **Calaysia Michelé Hamilton** as Dorcas Gustine, Rosie Roberts, Mrs. Kessler and Minerva Jones; and **Andre Mason** as Tom Beatty, Deacon Taylor, Roscoe Purkapile and Eugene Carman. In addition to Yost-Rushton, the production team consists of **Danielle**

Preston, costume designer; **George Georgeson**, light designer and sound engineer; **Frank Bowles**, scenic designer; **Gray Walters**, sound designer; **Andrew Geier**, properties designer; **Nicholas Partonen**, production stage manager; **Alexus Niblack**, assistant stage manager; **Chris McCabe**, music director; and **Desiree Witt**, choreographer. Choral singers recorded include Denise Adams, Connor McCabe, Trevor Mcabe, Laurel Plitnik and Christian Scott.

Tickets for the live performance are \$7 for FSU students and \$12 for FSU faculty and staff. Reservations for this group only can be made by visiting <https://frostburgtix.universitytickets.com>. Each show has a limited number of tickets to allow for social distancing, and tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Walk-up ticket sales are not available for this production.

For info, call the Theatre and Dance box office at 301-687-7462.

To prevent the spread of the coronavirus, FSU follows state health guidelines requiring the wearing of masks and physical distancing from others. Audience members must visit www.frostburg.edu/checkin for symptom monitoring before attending the production and be prepared to display the “Reduced Risk” badge.

Music

Because of the coronavirus pandemic, musical performances before live audiences of the general public will not be held until conditions warrant. However, the Department of Music is continuing its series of online presentations. Links will be posted at www.frostburg.edu/concerts.

Visit www.frostburg.edu/concerts and click an event to be directed to the FSU Localist Events page; click the red “Join Stream” button on the right side of page to join the livestream.

Unless otherwise noted, concerts are free to view online. For info, contact FSU’s Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

If you miss the livestreams, Music Department recitals are available for viewing on YouTube: Frostburg Music Department.

Department of Music Presents Wind Ensemble in Concert

FSU’s Department of Music will present the Wind Ensemble in its concert, “Classics Reimagined,” on **Friday, April 9**, at 7 p.m. at FSU’s Upper Quad Amphitheatre. This event is free and open to the campus community.

Maximum capacity at this venue is 100 persons. To reserve your spot, email Dr. Brent Weber at bmweber@frostburg.edu. A 6-foot distance must be maintained between individuals or families, and attendees must maintain a 12-foot distance from the ensemble. In case of rain, the concert will be livestreamed from Pealer Recital Hall, and the audience will be limited to 50 members of the campus community. If this happens, the band members will use PPE (bell and instrument covers) to ensure safety.

The program will include “anti-FANFARE” by Andrew Blair; “Irish Tune” by Percy Grainger; “The Carnival of the Animals” by Camille Saint-Saëns, arranged by Bocoock; “Children’s March” by Grainger; “Serenade, Op. 7” by Richard Strauss, arranged by Weber; “Shepherd’s Hey” by Grainger; “Oblivion” by Astor Piazzolla, arranged by Robert Longfield; and “Powerhouse” by Raymond Scott, arranged by Murtha.

“anti-FANFARE” is a short, exciting concert opener for woodwinds and percussion inspired by Blair’s forays into contemporary jazz fusion and electronica.

“Irish Tune From County Derry” is a setting of a now-famous tune from the Irish county of Derry in the north (also sometimes called Londonderry).

“The Carnival of the Animals” (“Le Carnaval des animaux”) is a humorous musical suite of 14 movements by French romantic composer Saint-Saëns.

“Children’s March” was scored for band by Grainger in 1919 from a piano solo he had composed between 1916 and 1918. Grainger had a keen interest in folk music and used traditional folk tunes as the basis for many of his works. This folk tune, however, is his original.

“Serenade for 13 Wind Instruments, Op. 7,” from 1881, is the first work of the German composer Strauss to have survived in the concert hall. Although a youthful work, its charm, vivacity and technical assurance makes it a worthy successor of Mozart’s “Gran Partita,” upon which it is modeled.

Grainger made several different settings of “Shepherd’s Hey,” which is based on a folk tune. The first setting appeared in 1909. The band version came in 1918. The tune itself is a Morris dance, a centuries-old tradition of fluid, group dancing from England.

“Oblivion” is a hauntingly atmospheric piece by Argentine tango composer Piazzolla. Written in 1982, it was used in the soundtrack of Mario Bellochio’s film, “Enricho IV.”

“Powerhouse” (1937) is an instrumental musical composition by Scott, perhaps best known today as the iconic “assembly line” music in animated cartoons released by Warner Bros.

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CES Offering Discounts to MSO Virtual Concert Featuring Guitarist Sharon Isbin

CES at FSU will offer \$9.99 tickets for local residents to attend a Maryland Symphony Orchestra virtual concert featuring multiple Grammy Award-winning guitarist Sharon Isbin on **Sunday, April 11**, at 3 p.m. The event, led by MSO Musical Director Elizabeth Schulze, will be streamed live from the historic Maryland Theatre in Hagerstown, Md.

Acclaimed for her extraordinary lyricism, technique and versatility, Isbin was named by the Boston Globe as “the preeminent guitarist of our time.” She will join the orchestra in a program that includes “Tango!” by Paola Prestini, “Ancient Airs and Dances, No. 3” by Ottorino Respighi, “Guitar Concerto in D Major, RV 93” by Antonio Vivaldi and “Quintetto IV in re maggiore (G. 448)” by Luigi Boccherini.

Remaining virtual events scheduled in the six-concert series include “MSO Pops!” on **Sunday, May 2**, at 3 p.m., and “Brown and Beethoven,” featuring pianist Michael Brown, on **Sunday, June 6**, at 3 p.m.

This exclusive offer is made possible through a grant from the Community Trust Foundation’s Iris and Peter Halmos Community Fund. Performance tickets of \$29.99 are discounted to \$9.99. FSU students may purchase tickets at a price of \$2.99. Ticket buyers will have access to a recording of the concert for one week after the live broadcast. This offer will be available until all grant funds have been spent.

To acquire the promo code, email ces@frostburg.edu. For info about each concert or to purchase tickets, visit <http://www.marylandsymphony.org/202021-concerts>.

Department of Music to Present Online President’s Concert

The FSU Department of Music will present its livestreamed President’s Concert on **Sunday, April 11**, at 3 p.m. from FSU’s Pealer Recital Hall.

Per FSU event guidelines and COVID restrictions, the general public may only attend the online streamed event. The recital is open to 50 members of FSU community – faculty, staff or students – on a first-come, first-served basis.

Faculty performers will include soprano **Francesca Aguado-Murray**, baritone **Gregory Scott Stuart**, saxophonist **Dr. Brent Weber** and pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen**.

The student artists are **Ryan Barber** on percussion, **Emily Brobst** on the flute, **Zhicen “Luke” Liu** on piano, **Alexander McNemar** on the saxophone and **Shawn Zimmerman** on guitar.

They will perform “Gigue” and “Double” from “Lute Suite in C Minor, BWV 997” by Johann Sebastian Bach, “Von ewiger Liebe” (“Of Everlasting Love”) from “Four Songs, Op. 43” by Johannes Brahms, “Ich lebe mein Leben in wachsenden Ringen” (“I Live My Life in Widening Circles”) by Scott Rieker, “Spring Waters, Op. 14, No. 11” by Sergei Rachmaninoff, the first movement (“With Vigor”) from “Saxophone Sonata, Op. 19” by Paul Creston, “Le vent dans la plaine” (“The Wind in the Plain”) from “Préludes, Book 1” by Claude Debussy, “Klonos” by Piet Swerts, “Allegro con moto” from “Sonata for Flute and Piano, Op. 14” by Robert Muczynski, “Impromptu in G-flat Major, D. 899, No. 3” by Franz Schubert, “Endless” by Dr. Mackenzie LaMont and “Stop Speaking” by Andy Akiho.

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FSU Student Ivan Godoy in Livestreamed Junior Baritone Recital

FSU’s Department of Music will present **Ivan Godoy** in his livestreamed junior baritone recital, titled “Songs of Travel,” on **Tuesday, April 13**, at 7:30 p.m. He will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen** and soprano **Laura Frederick**.

Godoy will perform selections from art songs and oratorios and Ralph Vaughn Williams’ song cycle “Songs of Travel.” His selections include “Ideale” by Francesco Paolo Tosti, “U Vrat Obiteli Svyatoy” from “12 Songs Without Opus, No. 1” by Sergei Rachmaninoff, “En sourdine, Op.58, No. 2” by Gabriel Faure, “Ya Eres Mía” by Morten Lauridsen, “Mache dich, mein Herze, rein” from “St. Matthew Passion, BWV 244” by Johann Sebastian Bach, “For Behold, Darkness Shall Cover the Earth ... The People That Walked in Darkness” from “Messiah, HWV 56” by George Frederic Handel and “Lord God of Abraham” from “Elijah, Op. 70” by Felix Mendelssohn, as well as “The Vagabond,” “Let Beauty Awake,” “The Roadside Fire,” “Youth and Love,” “In Dreams,” “The Infinite Shining Heavens,” “Whither Must I Wander?” “Bright Is the Ring of Words” and “I Have Trod the Upward and the Downward Slope” from “Songs of Travel” by Williams.

FSU Student Kyla Nauman Presents Livestreamed Senior Flute Recital



FSU’s Department of Music will present **Kyla Nauman** in a livestreamed senior flute recital on **Friday, April 16**, at 7:30 p.m. She will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Joseph Yungen** and guest artists **Cait Rund** on the alto saxophone and **Maggie Longerbeam** on the flute.

Nauman will perform “Syrinx” by Claude Debussy, “Epitaphe de Jean Harlow” by Charles Koechlin, “Concerto in D Major” by Leopold Hofmann, “In Ireland” by Hamilton Harty and “La Gata – Milonga” by Carmen Marulanda.

“Syrinx” (1913) is a solo flute work that tells of the story of the nymph Syrinx being pursued by Pan. To escape, Syrinx transforms herself into the reeds, which Pan turns into the panpipe once he gives up on his chase.

“Epitaphe de Jean Harlow” (1937) was created in memory of actress Jean Harlow who died in 1937.

Hofmann’s earliest compositions date from the 1750s. “Concerto in D Major” was originally written for solo flute and orchestral accompaniment; however, in this rendition, the piano will be the accompaniment.

Harty was a church organist who later moved to London and became a well-known piano accompanist. He composed “In Ireland” in 1915.

“La Gata – Milonga” (2016) is from a set of flute duets inspired by the milonga, a musical genre that originated in Argentina.

FSU Student Andrew Hartnett Will Perform Livestreamed Senior Piano Recital

FSU’s Department of Music will present **Andrew Hartnett** in a livestreamed senior piano recital from Pealer Recital Hall on **Saturday, April 17**, at 7:30 p.m. He will be accompanied by **Tom Harrison** on bass, **Shawn Zimmerman** on guitar and **Ryan Barber** on drums.

Per FSU event guidelines and COVID restrictions, the general public may only attend the online streamed event. The recital is open to 50 members of FSU community – faculty, staff or students – on a first-come, first-served basis.

Hartnett will perform “Nocturne in E-flat Major, Op.9, No.2” by Frédéric François Chopin; “Danseuses de Delphes” by Claude Achille Debussy; “Prelude, Op. 28: No. 2 in A Minor,” “No. 4 in E Minor” and “No. 15 in D-flat Major” by Chopin; “Miroirs No. 5 – La vallée des cloches” by Joseph Maurice Ravel; “Valse, Op. 64, No. 2 in C-sharp Minor” by Chopin; “Prelude, Op. 3, No. 2 in C-sharp Minor” by Sergei Vasilyevich Rachmaninoff; and “Sonata in D Major, Hob XVI:37” by Joseph Franz Haydn. These will be followed by the jazz pieces “Satin Doll” by Duke Ellington, “Cantaloupe Island” by Herbie Hancock, “Invitation” by Bronislaw Kaper and “Cold Duck Time” by Eddie Harris.

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Webinars

P&E Alumni Webinar Series – Internships and Capstones: Pathways to a Career

In the next installment of the Physics and Engineering Alumni Webinar series on **Monday, April 19**, from 6 to 7 p.m., three FSU alums will share internship and capstone experiences at FSU.

There are two ways to join. Join the Webex meeting directly at <https://frostburg.webex.com/webappng/sites/frostburg/meeting/download/c2715f1faa8945eabae360ac6a4b4f75?siteurl=frostburg&MTID=m557bee2014cb3a760a8356d3a3c23ea7>. You can also check out the webinar in Gira Center 186 (aka Planetarium). Email ejmoore@frostburg.edu for more ways to join.

A graduate in physics with a minor in computer science, **Caleb Godwin ’18** served as the Physics and Engineering Club president and joined the community service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. He developed a pipeline for analyzing galaxy properties while assisting with astrophysics research. He presented with fellow students at two American Astronomical Society conferences. Godwin earned a master’s in applied physics at Towson University in 2020. While there, he performed optics research to design and build a fully adjustable zoom lens system using physics and the optical design/simulation software Zemax. Godwin works at Fearless Solutions in Baltimore as a software engineer. As part of a government contract, he is developing a user-friendly website for displaying regulations.

Thomas Smith ’14 is set to graduate this May from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County with a doctorate in applied physics. This comes after obtaining a master’s in applied physics at UMBC in 2017 and double majoring for a bachelor’s in applied physics and engineering at FSU. His doctoral research was based in the field of quantum optics and included designing interferometers that are insensitive to optical turbulence and aiding in the study of high-resolution X-ray ghost imaging. This work has led to publications in “Physical Review Letters,” “APL Photonics” and “Optics Express,” as well as multiple pending patents. He plans to continue conducting physics research that can potentially lead to practical applications such as quantum information, imaging or interferometry.

Aaron Littlejohn ’13 is a senior process engineer in Intel’s Logic Technology Development group, driving the optimization of high-volume semiconductor manufacturing processes. He earned a bachelor’s in applied physics from FSU and a doctorate in physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 2018. As a graduate student, he conducted experimental condensed matter physics research in RPI’s Nanostructure Science and Ultrathin Films lab. His work in crystalline epitaxy and nanostructure synthesis has been published in journals such as “Nature Communications,” “Nanotechnology” and the “Journal of Applied Physics” and has been recognized by the American Institute of Physics. He holds one patent and has several pending related to improvements of novel non-volatile memory devices.

Exhibits

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Department of Visual Arts to Host All-Campus Juried Art Exhibition



FSU's Department of Visual Arts will host the spring 2021 All-Campus Juried Art exhibition through **Friday, April 16**, at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU's Fine Arts Building. This exhibition is free and open to the public.

Jennifer Browne, Department of English and Foreign Languages, is the juror.

Work must be picked up on **Monday, April 19**, in the Roper Gallery from 1 to 5 p.m.

For info, contact Lester at allester@frostburg.edu.

Points of Pride

Andy Duncan Is Judge for Intercollegiate Press Association Awards

Andy Duncan, a professor in the Department of English and Foreign Languages, was the contest judge for three categories in the 2021 Texas Intercollegiate Press Association awards. Gallery 2020 from UT Rio Grande Valley won first place in Overall Excellence: Literary Magazine, "Diversity" by Daniar Onoz of Amarillo College won first place in Editorial Cartoon (Division 3) and "Spring Break" by Kachina Swafford of Northeast Texas Community College won first place in Editorial Cartoon (Divisions 4 and 5). Founded by students from nine schools meeting at Baylor in 1909, TIPA is the nation's oldest state collegiate press association and has 68 member schools. For a complete list of winners and runners-up, visit <http://texasipa.org/results>.

Office of Sponsored Programs Successes/News

On March 23, project director *Dr. Sandy Mehalko*, Western Maryland Small Business Development Center (SBDC), was awarded \$196,631 in Federal Small Business Administration funds by the University of Maryland, College Park, in support of the Western Region SBDC for FY2021. SBDC provides outreach, review and assistance in business plan and financing proposal preparation, marketing strategies, procurement-related certifications and strategic planning based on the client's stage in the business life cycle.

On March 22, project director *Dr. Kate Sheehan*, an assistant professor in FSU's Department of Biology, was awarded \$2,100 by the Waterbird Society for the project, "Dietary Breadth of Gulls and Terns: Specialists vs. Generalists."

For info, see the Office of Sponsored Program's Successes/News webpage at <http://www.frostburg.edu/osp/successesnews.php>.

Take Note

Summer Session: Registration Now Open

Encourage students to take advantage of their downtime this summer and catch up, keep up or get ahead with Summer Session! As always, this is a great option for students wanting to get caught up without having to increase their fall course load, athletes who need extra credits to maintain eligibility or any student who wants to start a path to early graduation.

Summer Session isn't just for FSU students. Undergraduates and graduates at other colleges, high school students and lifelong learners are more than welcome to attend class online or on campus. FSU offers six sessions throughout the summer.

For info, visit <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/summer-session/index.php>.

Career Readiness Week

Sponsored by the Career and Professional Development Center and the Office of Alumni Relations, Career Readiness Week will take place **Monday, April 12, through Friday, April 16**.

On **Monday, April 12**, *Mary Biscoe-Hall, Esq. '12* will speak at 7 p.m., and *Eric Manns Jr. '10* will speak at 8 p.m.

On **Tuesday, April 13**, there will be a "Resume Review" by the CPDC staff from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and "Social Media Etiquette" with *Jennifer Krampf '93* will be held at 7 p.m.

On **Wednesday, April 14**, *Pat Friel '88* will present "How to Manage Working Remotely" at 7 p.m., and *Glenn Wayson '14* will present "How to Nail the Virtual Interview!" at 8 p.m.

On **Thursday, April 15**, "Virtual Networking" with *Zach Heeter M'16*, *Colby McGill '15*, *Tracey Morris '94*, *Melanie Rowe-Partridge '11* and *Jason VanSickle '98* will be held at 7 p.m.

On **Friday, April 16**, the CPDC Staff will hold "Mock Interviews" from 1 to 4 p.m.

For info, contact Clarissa Lang at 301-687-7013 or calang@frostburg.edu.

Allegany County Transit Buses to Begin Regular Route Service

All Allegany County Transit buses will begin regular route service on **Monday, April 5**.

Students wanting to go to the Country Club Mall on weekdays have the following options:

To the mall: The Campus Loop route will leave campus at 3:30 p.m. for an express trip to the mall, arriving at 3:55 p.m.

To campus: The Yellow Line departs from the rear of the mall (theaters) at 6:15 p.m. It makes a stop in front of Walmart and returns to campus.

Saturday's shuttle service remains available from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Schedules are available on buses and posted on shelters. For info, call 301-722-6360.

Growing a Healthy Food System in a Pandemic World – A Virtual Conference

The third session of the 2021 Western Maryland Food Council Virtual Conference will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on **Thursday, April 8**.

The theme is "Food Access." The online discussion will address the challenges of making healthy food accessible to vulnerable populations during a pandemic and will include a special community dialogue, "Eat. Learn. Council: A Day of Civility," with guidance from Allegany County's Choose Civility chapter, Allegany College of Maryland's Democracy Commitment Committee and the **FSU Department of Communication's Communication Leadership Lab**.

For info, visit <https://go.umd.edu/2021WMFCConference> or contact Willie Lantz at 301-334-6960 or wlantz@umd.edu.

Note: FSU's Communication Leadership Lab will partner with ACM's Democracy Commitment to facilitate a discussion about what was learned during the three-day WMFC Conference on **Thursday, April 8**, at 2 p.m. as part of Allegany County's Day of Civility 2021.

Choose Civility: Allegany County Celebrates Day of Civility

The annual Day of Civility focuses on spreading kindness, building understanding and strengthening civility throughout the community. Check out the Choose Civility: Allegany County Facebook page for information regarding Day of Civility events happening on **Thursday, April 8**, including a virtual session on Communication Leadership that will focus on civil discourse across differences and how to best define "civility." Participants will explore what communication leadership will look like locally to increase cooperation and collaboration to solve the community's challenges. Details will follow. Other events are already set, so watch for event link information on social media and through available links.

On **April 8** from 2 to 3 p.m., join in a virtual community dialogue, titled "Eat. Learn. Council: A Day of Civility." As part of Western Maryland Food Council's three-day conference dedicated to growing a healthy food system in a pandemic world, this free session will be guided by Allegany College of Maryland's Democracy Commitment Committee and FSU's Communication Leadership Lab and will focus on the discussion of food systems in relation to Choose Civility principals. Information about how to attend this session will be posted to the Choose Civility: Allegany County Facebook page and website, www.alleganycountylibrary.info/choosecivility. For info on the Western Maryland Food Council and the annual conference, visit www.wmdfoodcouncil.com/conference.html.

On **April 8** from 7 to 8 p.m., join in a virtual Braver Angels college debate, organized and moderated by students from FSU's Debate Team and LEAD 401 Citizen Leadership class. Allegany College of Maryland's Democracy Commitment Committee and FSU's Communication Leadership Lab will co-sponsor the event, guided by Choose Civility principals. Info about how to attend this session will be posted to the Choose Civility: Allegany County Facebook page and website, www.alleganycountylibrary.info/choosecivilitypartners.

'Reacting to the Past' Game for Faculty, Staff and Students

"Reacting to the Past" is an innovative teaching pedagogy that engages students in the learning process by assigning them historic roles for an extended in-class role-play game that encourages them to actively engage with discussion and debate around important "intellectual collisions." The Center for Teaching Excellence has sponsored several games in the past (Frederick Douglas, Greenwich Village and Climate Change), and FSU has been an institutional member of this group for many years.

With the support of the University Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, the College of Business Dean's Office, the Center for Teaching Excellence and International Studies Program, the online role-playing game for students, staff and faculty will be held virtually on **Friday, April 9**, and **Saturday, April 10**, and participants should be available that Friday from 3 p.m. to Saturday at 4 p.m. for various sessions. The game will be played in Gather.town, an innovate online teaching tool that provides an interactive classroom space.

This RTTP game is about the presence of the U.S. company, Firestone Tire and Rubber, in the West African country of Liberia in the 1930s. There are 30 roles to be "cast" in the game, so each participant will play a specific role; a variety of issues will be discussed and debated. Roles include W.E.B. DuBois, Harvey Firestone Jr., Marcus Garvey, Winston Churchill and Amelia Earhart, among others.

If you cannot attend the entire event, consider attending a Zoom conversation with Jennifer Worth, the director of "Reacting to the Past," at 10 a.m. on **April 10**.

For info, contact Suzanne McCoskey at skmccoskey@frostburg.edu.

Info Sessions – Ask Anything About NSE

National Student Exchange colleges and universities welcome you for the summer 2021, fall 2021 and/or spring 2022 collegiate student exchange. To learn more about NSE, join a virtual NSE Info Session where the basics of NSE (tuition, financial aid, course options, housing and research tips) will be reviewed and your questions answered. All you need is a computer or phone with audio.

The last session will be held on **Thursday, April 15**, from 3 to 4 p.m. (Eastern).

For info, contact Amy Shimko at alshimko@frostburg.edu or visit <https://nse.org/exchange/info/?z=1#homeinfo>.

Focus Frostburg Coming Up April 18 Through 22



Focus Frostburg 2021: “Learn-In” for a Sustainable Future, a week of virtual learning, will be held this year **Sunday, April 18, through Thursday, April 22**. Depending on the pandemic, there will be a limited number of outdoor exhibits – with virtual presentations and discussions.

Focus Frostburg features programs, discussions and hands-on activities highlighting issues of sustainability and climate awareness.

For info, contact Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogersthomas@frostburg.edu.

Undergraduate Research Symposium

This year the FSU Undergraduate Research Symposium will be virtual and will be on **Friday, April 23**, rather than the traditional first Friday in May.

This year’s event will include the work of 81 student presenters and will feature 51 poster and artwork presentations and nine oral presentations. All presentations will be available for viewing between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on the Symposium webpage, and there will be an open Q&A session between 1 and 2 p.m.

For info, contact Dr. Karen Keller at kkeller@frostburg.edu.

CLC’s Virtual Spring Festival of Children’s Literature



Online registration for the Children’s Literature Centre’s virtual 2021 Spring Festival of Children’s Literature is live. This year the festival will be held **Friday, April 23**, and **Saturday, April 24**. Attendees can watch author/illustrator prerecorded presentations, then will have the opportunity to join in live Q&A sessions with the authors and illustrators (which will not be recorded). There will be multiple virtual Professional Development Workshops, too. Prerecorded author and PDW presentations will be available for viewing until **Saturday, May 1**.

Those interested in attending can go to CLC’s webpage at <https://www.frostburg.edu/childrens-literature-centre/Spring-Festival/index.php> or follow the link <https://forms.frostburg.edu/207> to register and/or view the festival flyer. For info, email clc@frostburg.edu or call 301-687-3133.

Note: Due to the virtual platform restrictions, professional development credit will not be offered for the 2021 festival.

FSU Lions Club Holding Fundraiser for St. Jude

The FSU Lions Club is holding a St. Jude fundraiser until **Sunday, April 25**. The funds support St. Jude’s lifesaving mission of finding cures for children battling cancer and other life-threatening diseases. By donating, you’ll also be entered into a virtual raffle for a chance to win a \$25 Visa Gift Card.

To donate, visit <http://events.stjude.org/FSUlionclub>. For info, contact Jordan Lyons at jhlyons@frostburg.edu.

Civility Cup Nominations Sought



The Communication Leadership Lab will award the seventh annual Civil Citizen Communicator Award **this May**. This award is given to an FSU student who has, within the previous year, demonstrated communication leadership or a commitment through word and actions to civility and constructive change within an organization or community. This person should have demonstrated communication competence, leadership competence and an awareness of and responsiveness to matters of civility that impact others. This award aligns with the mission of our programs and FSU to support the oral communication competency and leadership

development of our students, and it supports regional development through recognition of efforts linking the campus to community partners.

Do you know someone who fits this description, someone who is committed to changing the University, another organization or society for the better? Is that person you? If so, submit a nomination for the Civil Citizen Communicator Award. Nominations will be accepted until the deadline of **Friday, April 30**.

Nominate a candidate or yourself by emailing Connie Capacchione, administrative assistant of the Department of Communication, at ccapacchione@frostburg.edu.

Judges for the award include **Trevor Jones '17**, who works for Baltimore County Councilman Julian Jones; **Renee Mason '16**, of the Allegany County Library System; and **Sherry White**, who works for News and Media Services (Advancement) at FSU.



Throughout his tenure at FSU as a communication studies and philosophy major, Jones secured internships within all three levels of government – local, state and federal. While at FSU, he worked alongside the president of the regional NAACP in Allegany County, Md., as the FSU student liaison and member of the Political Action Committee. Jones was granted TS clearance through Pacific Architect Engineers and spent time working for the FBI as a legal administrative specialist. He works as a legislative aide and communications director for Baltimore County Councilman Julian Jones and plans to attend law school.



Mason is the Arts and Graphics coordinator for the Allegany County Library System. In 2017, she spearheaded the creation of the local chapter, Choose Civility: Allegany County, a grassroots initiative to improve and enrich Allegany County by promoting civil conversations and kindness toward others. Through partnerships with local entities like FSU, ACM, the Women's Action Coalition, Leadership Allegany, the Class of 2018 and NAACP, the local Choose Civility chapter remains viable and sustainable.



With more than 25 years of experience in communication and media, White is a writer/digital communication specialist at FSU. While she began her career writing and editing for companies such as Simon and Schuster, Houghton Mifflin and Pearson Education, White's interests and career have evolved toward graphic and website design. She is pursuing a graduate certificate in user experience/user interface design from the University of Baltimore.

For info regarding the award or nomination process, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, at elruminski@frostburg.edu. A panel of reviewers external to the Department of Communication will rank and determine the award winner, and public announcement will be made **later in May**. Each award winner's name is etched on the Civility Cup, which is displayed in the Department of Communication. In addition to this public recognition, a formal certificate of acknowledgement will be given to the student who receives this honor.

Volunteers

Get Involved in FSU's Food Recovery Network!

FRN Cuts Food Waste and Feeds People in Need



FSU's Food Recovery Network collects unserved food from Chesapeake Dining Hall and the food court in the Lane University Center. It then donates those collections to the Western Maryland Food Bank, which warehouses and distributes food to charities serving 10,000 to 13,000 hungry people each month.

Working with Chartwell's, FSU's Food Recovery Network has recovered more than 4,000 pounds of food!

Students and others interested in becoming involved should contact Tracy Edwards at tedwards@frostburg.edu or 301-697-7699.

Beautify the 'Burg

Volunteers are needed for the annual Beautify the 'Burg event on **Saturday, April 24**, from 9 a.m. to noon. Due to COVID, the event will be smaller, so volunteer spots are limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. If you and/or your student organization is interested in serving, fill out the volunteer registration and liability form and return it to the Office of Civic Engagement in Lane 234. To ensure T-shirts are available for you and your group, be sure to submit the registration and liability form by **Friday, April 9**. Once submitted, the Planning Committee will be in touch with your organization to give you details about your service site for the day.

For info or a registration form, contact the Office of Civic Engagement at 301-687-4210 or civicengagement@frostburg.edu.

Jobs

CES Is Hiring for the Fall

Do you want an opportunity to work with amazing, professional artists from across the country and around the world? Join the CES Student Production Team!

CES is hiring for the positions of box office customer service. Team members work in the Lane University Center box office throughout the week and serve as front-of-house staff on performance days.

To apply online, go to <https://frostburg.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/19689>.

Be Part of FSU's Summer Camps and Conferences Program

Consider being part of the team for FSU's thriving Summer Camps and Conferences program. Coach Wootten's Basketball Camp, Camp Hope, Brit-Am Soccer Academy, the Washington Metropolitan Association of Chinese Schools and many other groups call FSU their summer home.

The position includes room and board. More applications are received each summer than there are positions (15 total), but all are welcome to apply. After an initial offer is made, the summer position is contingent on passing a criminal background check. The work varies, and the position requires someone who can think on their feet to solve problems. Hours are not regular.

An online application is available at <http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/confer/conferences-and-events-staff-application> and you can submit it there. For info, contact Tim Arnold, director of Conferences and Events, in Hitchins 322, at tparnold@frostburg.edu or at 301-687-4021. The deadline for applications is **Friday, April 9**.

Due to COVID-19, a final decision on a summer camps season for 2021 has not been determined, and an offer of employment only stands if summer camps are allowed.

Summer Positions Available – Tutor/Counselors

Upward Bound seeks tutor/counselors for its summer residential program on FSU's campus. 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 furnishes students with a sample of the college experience. The five-week program runs **from Sunday, June 13, through Friday, July 23**, and the three-week program **from Sunday, June 13, through Friday, July 9** (tentative dates), and includes one week of training. The salary for the three-week tutor/counselor is \$1,250 plus room and board and for the five-week tutor/counselor is \$2,100 plus room and board. Applicant review will begin immediately. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, April 15**. For info, contact the Upward Bound office at 301-687-4994, email esteele@frostburg.edu or visit the Upward Bound website at www.frostburg.edu/upwardbound.

Due to COVID-19, a final decision for summer has not been determined, and an offer of employment only stands if Upward Bound will be residential rather than virtual.

FSU-TV3

FSU-TV3 and CLA Showcase Local, Regional and National Authors



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FSU-TV3 and the Center for Literary Arts are working together to showcase local, regional and national authors. Invited authors have done virtual readings for wide audiences, and this collaborative effort will give authors the opportunity to deliver their messages to a wider audience. Tune in to FSU-TV3 on **Monday, April 5**, at 7 p.m. to hear author Edward Doyle-Gillespie, who talked about his books "Masala Tea and Oranges," "On the Latter Addition of Sancho Panza" and "Socorro Prophecy." On **Wednesday, April 14**, tune in at 7 p.m. to hear R. David Fulcher, an author of horror, science fiction, fantasy and poetry. On **Wednesday, April 21**, at 7 p.m., join in on a reading from the Indie Lit Festival featuring Indran Amirthagayagam, who has authored numerous poetry collections, including "The Elephants of Reckoning" (1993), "Ceylon, R.I.P." (2001), "The Splintered Face" (2008), "Uncivil War" (2013) and "Coconuts on Mars" (2019).

This Week on 'The Bottom Line on Air'



The Bottom Line and FSU-TV3 will air their weekly news broadcast show on **Wednesday, April 7**, at 8 p.m. The 30-minute show will be available on Facebook, YouTube and on basic Comcast cable channel 3. The show is hosted by student **Claire Sullivan**, associate produced by student **Cassie Conklin** and executive produced by **Melanie Lombardi**, cable channel manager.

"The Spoon River Project," a production of the FSU Theatre and Dance Department, opens on **Thursday, April 8**. Join "The Bottom Line on Air" as they chat with **Luke Vought**, one of the leads of the show, about how the performing arts are bouncing back after the pandemic, as well as **Dr. Elesha Ruminski** and **Raye Maguire**, two members of the Department of Communication, who will discuss their recent new initiative – #BobcatsAgainstBias.

Watch the show on FSU-TV3's YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBYNZFo1rDZdpNzDL1ruREQ>, the channel's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/FSUTV3> or the FSU-TV3 website at <https://www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming-information/programming.php>. To stay connected with The Bottom Line, go to www.thebottomlinenews.com or find TBL on Twitter at [@BottomLineTBL](https://twitter.com/BottomLineTBL).

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Taking Applications for 2021-2022



Edgewood Commons is taking applications for the 2021-2022 school year. As a top on-campus housing option, Edgewood Commons meets the FSU residency requirements for students, offering the only on-campus, apartment-style living experience. Edgewood Commons is a top choice with an array of residential amenities and apartments that include all-private bedrooms, furnished apartments with full kitchens, full-size washers

and dryers, and more. Schedule a virtual tour and learn how Edgewood Commons can be your top on-campus housing choice by phone at 301-689-1370 or email at info@edgewoodFSU.com.

Secure your new home and apply today at <http://edgewoodfsu.com>. Check out Edgewood Commons on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/EdgewoodCommonsFSU> and Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/edgewoodfsu>.

Study Abroad

Study Abroad: Start Planning Your Experience for Spring 2022!



Bethany Bloom, Morocco, Fall 2019

Join the Center for International Education for an information session to learn more about study abroad. The last virtual session takes place at 3:30 p.m. on **Friday, April 16**.

Email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu to sign up for the session of your choice.

Health and Safety Messages

April Is Distracted Driving Awareness Month



In 2019, distracted driving killed 3,142 people – a 10 percent increase from 2018. During a portion of Distracted Driving Awareness Month, you may see increased law enforcement on the roadways as part of the national paid media campaign U Drive. U Text. U Pay. This campaign reminds drivers of the deadly dangers and the legal consequences – including fines – of texting behind the wheel.

For info, visit <https://www.nhtsa.gov/distracted-driving/april-distracted-driving-awareness-month>.

Follow these safety tips for a safe ride every time:

Need to send a text? Pull over and park your car in a safe location. Only then is it safe to send or read a text.

Designate your passenger as your “designated texter.” Allow them access to your phone to respond to calls or messages.

Do not scroll through apps, including social media, while driving. Cell phone use can be habit-forming. Struggling to not text and drive? Put the cell phone in the trunk, glove box or back seat of the vehicle until you arrive at your destination.

Happy, Healthy, Hip Tips From the SAFE Office



Mental Health Monday Tip: Positive Energy and Thinking

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_4B2HGwh1A

Tell Yourself Tuesday Tip: Transform Your Thoughts

<https://www.purposefairy.com/66095/change-your-thoughts>

Wacky Wednesday Tip: Worry Less

<https://www.mindful.org/5-steps-to-worrying-less/#:~:text=5%20Steps%20to%20Worrying%20Less%201%20Soften%20your,include%20all%20people%20.%20...%20More%20items...%20>

Thankful Thursday Tip: Volunteer

<https://www.indeed.com/career-advice/career-development/how-to-volunteer>

Fun Friday Tip: Create a New Playlist

<https://blogs.uww.edu/ucinfo/2018/04/03/spotify-playlists-for-college-students>

Social Saturday Tip: Spend Time With Family

<https://familiesforlife.sg/discover-an-article/Pages/30-Ways-to-Spend-More-Family-Time.aspx>

Self-Love Sunday Tip: Treat Yourself

<https://thefrugalite.com/treat-yourself-without-spending-money>

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.