The Honors Report

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Welcome back to the 'Ville 2018-2019



Miller and S'Ville - The MU Swans!!!

Freshman Orientation Meeting

Dr. Thyrum will meet with the new Honors freshmen class on Friday, August 24, 2018 at 12:30 pm. The location will be announced on the Orientation schedule. Several HCSA officers will also be present to provide assistance and give the incoming freshmen information about HCSA. Our thanks to HCSA members who made sure the freshmen bags were delivered and handed out to all present!!

Dr. Thyrum's Fall 2018 Office Hours:

Monday: 10-11:30 am - Franklin House Monday 1:10-2:40 pm - 120 Luek Hall Tuesday: 1:00-2:00 pm - 120 Luek Hall

Wednesday: 10:00-11:30 am – Franklin House Friday 11:00 am-12:00 pm – Franklin House

Other times available by appointment! Call: 871-7552. Dr. Thyrum's office hours may be subject to change at times.

Director's Corner

Greetings to all.....Welcome to our incoming freshmen and welcome back to our returning students! I hope you had a wonderful summer and are excited for the new school year. For those of you who haven't met me yet, I am the Director of the Honors College and also a professor in the Psychology Department. I am here to help represent the Honors College to our University's students, faculty, and administrators; and more importantly, I am here to advise and support you throughout your journey in the Honors College. We have a great calendar of events set up for this semester. I encourage you to become as involved in the Honors College and the Honors College Student Association as you would like. Take advantage of all that we have to offer as a way of making the most of your experience here at MU! My office hours are included in this newsletter. Please stop by Franklin House (or Luek Hall) sometime to say "hi" and chat or to introduce yourself. I look forward to a great semester with you!



Best, Dr. Thyrum

HCSA Officers for 2018-2019:

President: Kelly Czmar

Vice-President: Hellen Brieva

Secretary: Susan Lloyd Treasurer: Erin Jones Historian: Olivia Medina

Chair Persons:

Fundraising: Meaghan Schulman Special Events: Lauren Davis Public Relations: Kristen Hart

Community Service: Maggie Schenfelt

Mentor/Mentee: Jacqui Stewart

Membership Retention: Brooke Shimer

Alumni Relations: Peter Gray

Please give these officers/chairpersons your support this year!! Come out to the first HCSA meeting on Sunday, September 23 at 7:30 pm in the SMC, Room 18. Go find out what is being planned for the year and get involved!!!

Honors College Welcome Picnic!

The Honors College is sponsoring a welcome picnic for all Honors students on Sunday, August 26 starting at 5:00 pm in the Reighard Lobby and lawn area of Reighard Hall. Any Honors student is welcome to come and enjoy a picnic supper with each other! Dr. Thyrum will be present as well!!



Honors College Opening Reception 2018-2019

The Honors College Opening Reception will be held on Wednesday, August 29 at 4:00 pm in the Ford Atrium of McComsey Hall. Mentors are encouraged to meet up with their mentees and attend the reception with them. This is a great opportunity to meet other students in the Honors

College, MU's new President, Dr. Thyrum, other faculty, and administrators.

Times, Dates and Other Items of Importance:

Aug 26 (Sun): Welcome Picnic at

Reighard Hall

Aug 27 (Mon): Classes Begin Aug 29 (Wed): Honors Opening Reception for all Honors students! Ford Atrium, McComsey Hall. 4:00 pm

Sept. 3 (Mon): Labor Day – No

Classes.

Sept. 4 (Tues): Last day to Drop/Add a course by 11:59 PM. Sept. 8 (Sat): Day of Caring Sept. 14-15: Parent & Family Weekend

Sept. 16 (Sun): Mentor/Mentee Ropes Course Event–Pizza in Reighard

Sept 22 (Sat): Bus Trip to

Washington, DC

Sept. 23 (Sun): First HCSA

Meeting in SMC, Room 18 at 7:30 pm **Oct 5 (Fri):** Fall recess begins after

last class

Oct 10 (Wed): Classes resume 8

am

Oct 13 (Sat): Homecoming parade

- "Pennsylvania Proud"



!Birthdays!

Birthday greetings to our students celebrating their arrival on this earth during Mid-August, September and early October:

Cedrick Kazadi Aug. 13 Anthony Mason Aug. 17

Becky Elms	Aug. 19
Lydia Shaloka	Aug. 25
Jarrod Lloyd	Aug. 26
Riley Grimes	Aug. 30
Poushali Ghosh	Sept. 2
Samantha Gambino	Sept. 4
Annie Tepe	Sept. 13
Ginger Bradbury	Sept. 16
Liam McTigue	Sept. 16
Rachel Wiest	Sept. 18
Brianna Progar	Sept. 20
Sarah Huyen	Sept. 21
Rebecca Paglia	Sept. 21
Emily Bishop	Sept. 24
Zachary Whelpley	Sept. 24
Annelise Lorentzen	Sept. 25
Kayla Smith	Sept. 25
Iyla Stebbins	Sept. 28
Christopher Higgins	Sept. 30
Leah Freeman	Oct. 1
Hannah Miller	Oct. 1
Joseph Wright	Oct. 2
Haley Lathrop	Oct. 2
Kasidy Bidelspacher	Oct. 5
Taylor Bemisderfer	Oct. 6
Shawn Hower	Oct. 6
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Remember your friends on their special day!

Fall Recognition Banquet

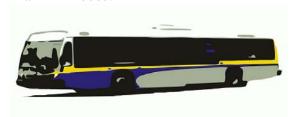
The Fall Recognition Banquet will be held on Sunday, December 9 beginning at 1:00 pm. The time was changed to accommodate those students who attend religious services in the morning so they could also attend the banquet. For all our new students, the recognition banquet is a time when graduating seniors are recognized and students who have achieved high academic standings are also recognized. It promises to be a very special event (with delicious food). Mark your calendars now and look for your invitation to come in the mail!

Day of Caring 2018

Day of Caring 2018 will be held on Saturday, September 8 beginning around 7:00 am with the delivery of a bagged breakfast to Reighard Lobby for all who participate. It will run until noon that morning and is the biggest community service event of the year. It is also a required event for freshman as part of the "Freshmen Year Experience".

Washington, DC Bus Trip!!!

The Honors College is sponsoring the fall bus trip to Washington, DC on Saturday, September 22. One coach has been secured for the trip which will begin by leaving the SMC at 7:30 am. The bus will drop students off at the National Mall for the day and return to pick them up at the drop off point by 5:00 pm for the return trip to MU. A bagged breakfast will be provided for all students who sign up for the trip. The trip will only cost you \$2.00 payable to Barb in the Honors College Office in Franklin House. That \$2.00 fee is to secure your seat on the bus and will then be given to the bus driver for his/her tip. You can explore various points of interest in Washington for the day, purchase your own lunch somewhere and then meet back up with Dr. Thyrum at the drop off point for the return trip. Please pay your \$2.00 to Barb at the office in Franklin House.



Franklin House

Franklin House, on George Str. across from the library, is available for all Honors students as a place to unwind between classes. We offer a quiet environment with a love seat and chairs for small group gatherings. If student employees are not utilizing the computer work stations, Honors students are free to use the computers. There is a small refrigerator and microwave on the second floor.

2018 PASSHE Summer Honors Study Abroad

Indiana University of PA Honors Program sponsored the 2018 PASSHE Summer Honors Study Abroad in Vienna and Bosnia-Herzegovina. Anne Mitzel and Cross Truesdell represented MU on this trip. They will give a presentation on Nov. 5 about their study abroad experiences. In case you don't know, MU pays for two Honors College students to attend the PASSHE Summer Honors Study Abroad each year. Applications are accepted late in the Fall semester (typically in December....stay tuned for next summer's program information).

Orientation Leaders for 2018

OL Group Leaders this year included Teonta Aviles, Kristen Hart, Bryanne Minnella, Orientation Managers, and Samantha Ferguson, Bailey Knipe, Joshua Marzak, and Maggie Schenfelt, Orientation Group Leaders. We are proud of the work you are doing for the incoming students!



Dean's List for Spring 2018

Congratulations go out to the following Honors students were named to the Dean's List for academic achievement during the spring 2018 semester:

Connor Billings Alyssa Bingaman Kyle Brady Abigail Breckbill Kelly Brieva Brittany Brown Hannah Campbell Kelly Czmar Megan Davis David Deighan Brooke Dobbs Sean Domencic Liz Dulac Jocelyn Elzer Meghan Epler Abbey Ford Mary Gilbert Maria Glotfelter Riley Grimes John Haberkern Bethany Hafer Luke Haldeman Rachel Hentnick Kelley Hershey Chris Higgins Brianna Hornberger Rachel Hubbs Sarah Huyen Jason Iyobhebhe Erin Jones Tim Keebler Maria LaSpina Stephanie Leedom Jarrod Lloyd Susan Lloyd Michael Lockwood Zach Mansfield Seth Martin Taylor Michael Bryanne Minnella Quinn Minnich Anne Mitzel Emma Montgomery Amanda Mooney **Bridget Murray** Katie Newcamp Lauren Ostopowicz **Emily Ott** Taylor Payne Julia Puia Niko Reckner Chris Rice Bryce Rinehart Edwin Sanchez Elizabeth Siebold Cross Truesdell Jan van der Veken Julia Walters Allison Wambach Adam Weiner Jamie Wittick

Mentor/Mentee Event



A special Mentor/Mentee event has been set up for those mentors wishing to begin the year with something different. So....the Honors College set up a date/time for the mentors/mentees Ropes Course, run by staff who work with Dr. Gordon Nesbitt of the Wellness Dept. The event will be held on Sunday, September 16 from 2:30-5:00 pm and then Dr. Thyrum will be providing pizza and drinks in the lobby of Reighard Hall at 5:00 pm for all who participate in this event. Sign up today!

Honors College Communication

Please make it a habit to check your Millersville email every day. The Honors College, your professors, and other MU Offices will send you important messages. The Honors College relies heavily on email as a way to disseminate important information. In addition, if you use Facebook, please "friend" Millersville HonorsCollege and ask to join "Fall 2018 MU Honors Students". We have an Instagram page you can follow as well "Ville_Honors". Stay tuned for an MU Honors College Twitter account which we plan to create this fall. Remember, these are great ways to stay on top of the latest news and announcements!





Homecoming 2018

Homecoming will be here before you know it!! October 13 is the date for the Homecoming Parade and **freshmen are required to participate in the parade** as part of the Honors Freshman Experience. Send Barb an email to sign up to march in the parade. If you are participating in some other way for the parade, please email Barb so you can receive credit for participation.

Barbara.erdman@millersville.edu

HCSA will coordinate the creation of an Honors College Float for the parade, which will reflect this year's theme, "Pennsylvania Proud".

The morning will begin with your breakfast at Franklin House again with Bagels, Blueberry Muffins, fresh fruit platters, Hot Chocolate, Coffee, and Hot Tea. Breakfast will be set up in Franklin House by 6:30 am for all parade participants!! Kelly Czmar, President of HCSA, will have Franklin House unlocked and open for all parade participants prior to the group heading to the Penn Manor High School to get lined up for the parade

Change in Community Service Requirements for Fall 2018

There will now be a total of six (6) community service requirements for all Honors students. This is an Honors College requirement; to remain in good standing in the Honors College, you need to complete this requirement. You can split the community service events across two semesters (3 each semester), or, if you are energetic and volunteer for events sponsored by the University, the Honors College, or HCSA, you can do more than 3 a semester – but you must complete 6 per year. Each event you complete must be a minimum of 1 hour in length to receive credit. Events could last a few hours, and you still receive 1 credit for that event.

<u>Fall 2018 Important Dates –</u> <u>Honors College Events and Meetings</u> AUGUST:

August 24 – Honors College Freshman Mtg - SMC Rm24 12:30 – Mandatory for all incoming Honors Freshmen

August 26 – Honors College Student Picnic - Reighard Lobby – 5pm, with outside games

August 27 – First day of classes

August 29 – Honors College Opening Reception in Ford Atrium - 4:00 pm

SEPTEMBER:

September 3 – Labor Day – University Closed September 8 – Honors College Day of Caring (7:15 am to noon; mandatory for freshmen)

September 16 – Mentor/Mentee Ropes Course 2:30-5:00 pm with pizza to follow in Reighard Lobby

September 19 – Meet & Mingle: Donuts with Dr. Thyrum and Brooke – Reighard Hall 8-10 am

September 20 – Honors College Session - Stepping Stones to Success – Reighard Hall 8 pm

September 22 – UHC Fall Bus trip to Washington, DC

September 23 – HCSA General Membership meeting 7:30 pm SMC 24

September 28 – Disability Public Policy Conference – Winter Center

September 28 – HCSA Social Event - Sky Zone - 7:00 OCTOBER:

October 3 – Registration for Winter classes begins at noon (No TAP # needed)

October 5 - Fall Break begins after last class

October 8 and 9 – Fall Break

October 8 – TAP #s available starting today from your advisors & Dr. Thyrum for Spring Registration

October 11 – PA Historical Reception/Lecture – 5:30 pm 230 N. President Ave., Lancaster, PA

LancasterHistory, 5:30 pm – Reception in Ware Commons followed by the lecture in Ryder Hall. Keynote Address: "Thaddeus Stevens, Disability and the Enduring Struggle for Civil Rights" **SPEAKER: Thomas K. Gilhool, Esq.** (award-winning civil rights attorney, former Secretary of Educ for the Commonwealth of PA; J.D. Yale Law School)

October 13 – Honors College Homecoming breakfast in Franklin House and Homecoming Parade

October 21 – HCSA meeting 7:30 pm SMC 24 October 25 – Honors College Ice Cream Social: Registration Q and A - Reighard Lobby 4:00-5:30 pm

October 27 – HCSA Social Event - Cherry Crest Farm trip

October 31 – Honors Priority Registration for Spring'19 courses (see advisor or Dr. Thyrum for TAP #)

NOVEMBER:

November 2 – last day to Withdraw from a fall course

November 5 – Honors College Study Abroad Opportunities and Benefits – Reighard Lobby – 7:30 pm

November 8 – Honors College Thesis Q and A Session 12:05 (FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON THE THESIS)

November 8 – Honors College Thesis Workshop – 4 pm (<u>required</u> for sophomores/2nd year students to help prepare for starting a thesis)

November 11 – HCSA meeting 7:30 pm SMC 24 November 20-25 Thanksgiving Break, classes resume on November 26

November 30 – HCSA Fundraiser – Sugar Bowl Delivery – 7 pm

DECEMBER:

December 2 – HCSA meeting 7:30 pm SMC 24
December 9 –Honors College Fall Recognition
Banquet – 1 pm – Lehr Dining Room in
Gordinier

December 10- Last day of classes for fall semester

December 11-15 Finals

December 16 – Commencement

December 21 – Fall '18 grades are available via MAX after 4:30 pm