
Truman State University has been recognized, once again, as the No. 1 Public University in the Midwest Region—Master’s Category by U.S. News & World Report’s 2010 edition of “America’s Best Colleges.” Truman has received this No. 1 recognition for the past 13 years. Highlights of the college rankings are published in the September 2009 issue of U.S. News & World Report.

Truman also ranked No. 8 overall in the “Best Universities-Master’s” category, for the Midwest Region, among both private and public institutions that provide a full range of undergraduate and master’s programs.

The 2010 edition also includes another No. 1 ranking in the Midwest Region for “Strong Commitment to Teaching,” which is based on surveys that identify schools where the faculty have an unusually strong commitment to undergraduate teaching.

Truman was included as the No. 4 school in the Midwest Region on the list of 77 “Top Up-and-Coming Schools,” for recently making “the most promising and innovative changes in academics, faculty, students, campus or facilities.” Truman is the only Missouri school listed.

Perhaps the most notable ranking this year, given the state of the economy, is Truman’s inclusion at No. 13 on the list of “Great Schools, Great Prices.” Truman’s Undergraduate Research Program was also highlighted in the “Programs to Look For,” section which lists schools that have examples of outstanding academic programs that are commonly linked to student success.

U.S. News & World Report bases its regional master’s rankings on peer assessment, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and alumni giving, among institutions whose focus is primarily undergraduate and master’s level programs.

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Upcoming Contests

Women’s Soccer vs. Drury
Aug. 28 • 2 p.m.

Men’s Soccer vs. Drury
Aug. 28 • 4 p.m.

Truman Football vs. Minnesota St.-Mankato
Aug. 29 • 7 p.m.

Men’s Soccer vs. UMSL
Aug. 30 • 5 p.m.

Women’s Soccer vs. St. Edward’s (Texas)*
Sept. 4 • 4 p.m.

Truman Football vs. Oklahoma Panhandle State
Sept. 5 • 12 p.m.

Women’s Soccer vs. Central Oklahoma*
Sept. 6 • 12 p.m.

*Truman Tournament Sept. 4-6

Health Center Reminds of Steps to Reduce Flu

With all the publicity about the H1N1 influenza, and the concerns about how schools may be impacted this fall, the Truman Student Health Center wants to let the campus know they do have plans in place to reduce the spread of the flu virus.

First, there are educational health care materials in strategic places on campus (residence halls, bathrooms, offices, etc.) promoting disease prevention messages. These messages include the importance of frequent hand washing and staying home from classes or large gatherings when ill. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and local public health authorities agree these simple strategies are effective measures to help prevent the spread of influenza.

Current recommendations from the CDC advise students, faculty or staff who have influenza-like illness to “self-isolate” in their dorm room or home for at least 24 hours after their fever has resolved.

Currently, the CDC is not recommending that institutions of higher learning cancel school or dismiss classes or other large gatherings. In the event of confirmed cases of H1N1, or a large number of cases of influenza-like illness on campus, the CDC recommends that state and local health officials be consulted to determine the appropriate response. The Student Health Center maintains regular contact with both local and state health officials, who work collaboratively to protect the public health. Additionally, guidelines from the CDC are intermittently updated and Student Health personnel monitor these updates regularly. The Health Center encourages everyone to manage their health by securing appropriate supplies to have in order to prevent and/or treat influenza. Recommended supplies include: a thermometer, cough and sore throat medicine, fever reducing medication, tea bags, salt for gargles, alcohol-based hand sanitizer, and tissues. Truman students should contact the Student Health Center if they think they have influenza. A protocol is in place to determine who should be seen urgently at the Health Center and who can be given advice for appropriate self-care at home.

Any questions or concerns regarding Truman’s public health efforts, can be directed to the Student Health Center at 785-4182.

Additional information about H1N1 is available at http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu or http://www.flu.gov.
Macauley Named New McNair Program Director

Sylvia Macauley has been named the new director of the McNair Program.

Macauley, an associate professor of history, has been at the University since 1999. She has a bachelor’s degree from the University of Sierra Leone, as well as doctorate and master’s degrees in history from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Among her professional accomplishments, Macauley has published journal articles and contributed chapters to several books dealing with issues such as education, religion, health and gender in Africa. She has received several awards, including funded fellowships from the Rockefeller Foundation and the Sasakawa Foundation in Japan. She is a member of the African Studies Association, the American Association of University Professors and the Mid-America Alliance for African Studies.

Tru-Positions Offers Employment Database

The Financial Aid Office recently launched Truman’s new centralized student employment website called Tru-Positions. Tru-Positions provides a comprehensive database of existing scholarship service, institutional and work study positions, including job descriptions and transferable work skills. This is an important advancement over the current process of requiring students to independently locate a student employment or service position with minimal direction or support.

Students are encouraged to check back periodically to view new postings. Tru-Positions will be updated as positions become available.

Tru-Positions can be found online at https://trupositions.truman.edu. Instructions for viewing and applying for a position can be found under the student information section.

Any questions or feedback can be directed to Tom Stuart at tstuart@truman.edu.

Family Day 2009

SCHEDULE
SATURDAY
SEPT. 19
Men's Tennis Invitational
9 a.m. • Truman Tennis Courts
Baseball Scrimmage
9 a.m. • Truman Baseball Field
Library Tours
10 a.m.-Noon • Pickler Memorial Library
Tours will begin every 10 minutes.
Annual Festival Centennial
10 a.m.-4 p.m. • Centennial Hall Courtyard
Free food, games, contests and music.
Family Day Scavenger Hunt
10:30 a.m. • Pershing Building
Join the fun as we explore the Truman campus. Sponsored by the Student Public Health Association, Phi Epsilon Kappa and the Department of Health and Exercise Sciences.
Equestrian Team “Mock Horse Show”
Noon • University Farm
Women’s Soccer vs. Emporia State
1 p.m. • Truman Soccer Field
Barbecue in Red Barn Park
5-6:45 p.m. • Red Barn Park
$8 per person*
Tickets must be purchased in advance and can be purchased online at http://store.truman.edu/familyday.
“IF your student has a meal plan, they do NOT have to purchase a meal ticket.
Carnival for the Kids
5-7 p.m. • Red Barn Park
The Office of Greek Life will have carnival booths with games and snacks with all proceeds going to charity, The Showgirls, Truman Cheerleading Squad, Spike the Bulldog and the Truman “Statesmen” Marching Band will all be making an appearance.
Student Activities Board presents: The Evasons, A Mentalist Duo
5 p.m. • Baldwin Auditorium
Tickets are available at the SAB Office in the Lower Level of the Student Union Building. Admission is free with a Truman ID. General admission is $3/single, $5/pair.
Bulldog Football
vs. Fort Hays State
7 p.m. • Stokes Stadium
General admission tickets are $7 for adults and $5 for children under 12 and senior citizens. Reserved seating is $8. Admission is free to students with a Truman ID. Tickets may be purchased online at http://gobulldogs.truman.edu/store. For more information, contact the Athletics Box Office at 660.785.4235.
EXTRAS
FRIDAY, SEPT. 18
Men’s Tennis Invitational
4 p.m. • Truman Tennis Courts
SAB Fall Drive In Featuring Screenings of “Up” and “Star Trek”
8 p.m. • Pershing Arena
Ice cream and soda will be served. Admission is free.
Observatory Open House
8:30-10:30 p.m. • University Farm
SATURDAY, SEPT. 19
Red Barn Arts & Crafts Festival*
9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Downtown Kirksville
“The festival includes an antiques show, which will take place in the Arts Center at 117 S. Franklin. For more information visit http://www.kirksvillearts.com.
For more information about Family Day call 660.785.4016. Barbecue tickets can be picked up in the Public Relations Office located at McClain Hall 101. For the latest updates and changes to the schedule visit http://www.truman.edu/pages/172.asp.
NOTABLES

Truman's chapter of the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society, Sigma Delta Pi, has been named an “Honor Chapter” for its outstanding activities in 2008-2009. Each May, all 564 chapters of Sigma Delta Pi are asked to submit an annual report detailing their numerous activities and projects from the academic year. Based on these reports, the National Executive Committee chooses approximately 10 “Honor Chapters” annually. This recognition is based upon the caliber of chapter projects that reflect the Sigma Delta Pi mission of honoring excellence in the study of the Spanish language, contributing to cultural understanding and upholding the goals of the society.

School of Business faculty members Steve Allen, Paul Fellows and Keith Harrison recently had their paper, “A Continuous Improvement Process to Include Closing the Loop Activities,” accepted for publication in “Business Education Innovation Journal,” Vol. 1, No. 2, Fall 2009.

David Giovagnoli, a junior classics major, represented Missouri at the National Junior Classical League convention at the University of California-Davis from July 26 to Aug. 1. At this convention, he was elected to the national executive board of the National Senior Classical League, as the national Parliamentarian. As a member of the National and Missouri Senior Classical Leagues, he assisted with events designed to foster enthusiasm in students in the 7th through 12th grades in the study of Latin and the Classics, in academic, creative arts, visual arts and athletic endeavors.

Amber Johnson, associate professor of anthropology and chair of the Department of Society and Environment, published a paper titled “Distinguishing Environmental and Density-Dependent Aspects of Adaptation” in the journal “Before Farming.”

Betty L. McLane-Iles, professor of French, was a participant in the Historical Novel Society Conference at Schaumburg, Ill., June 13 where she held a book presentation and signing of her novel on the Spanish Civil War, Dieppe Crossing. McLane-Iles also represented Truman’s chapter of AAUP at the recent national Summer Institute for the American Association of University Professors in St. Paul, Minn., July 23-26 at Macalester College. She was a participant in various workshops on contingent faculty and due process rights, campus communications, chapter organization and building, and academia and labor history.

James Padfield, associate professor of exercise science, was inducted as a Fellow of the Academy of Wilderness Medicine on July 27, at the Wilderness Medical Society’s annual conference in Snowmass, Colo.

Truman Health Science students Desiree Raygor and Jenna Osseck received an Honorable Mention in the Undergraduate Research Journal for Human Sciences, Vol. 7 (calendar year 2008). The pair was selected for one of six awards for their manuscript, “Use of a Focus Group of Youth in a Juvenile Detention Center to Recommend Programming Based on the Results of a Developmental Assets Profile.”

David Wohlers, professor of chemistry, traveled to University of Maryland July 27-31 to participate in Youth Slam 2009. The National Federation of the Blind sponsored more than 175 blind high school students who came from all over the United States to attend a hands-on science camp. The students were selected via a competitive application process. The students enrolled in one of eight weeklong tracks and several one-day sessions. Wohlers assisted in the environmental chemistry track along with Dr. April Hill and Cary Supalo (who is also blind) from the Pennsylvania State University Department of Chemistry. Fourteen blind students and five blind mentors did water quality experiments in six sessions during the week.

Do Something About Real Climate Change
ENVS 380:03 Climate Change, Land Use Change
This is a 2-unit course meeting during the first block of the fall semester.The course will meet on Sundays from 4-6 p.m. in MG 1094. It will involve studying carbon sequestration/climate change/cap and trade legislation/hands on work at the University Farm/data collection and analysis.

The first meeting will be at 4 p.m. Aug. 30 at the University Farm classroom. Contact Michael Kelrick, professor of biology, (mkelrick@truman.edu), Josh Mantonoth (jam2767@truman.edu), or Matt Rhodes (mkr686@truman.edu) for additional information.

Printing Services Now Offers Color Copies
Print jobs can be made from hard copies or by e-mailing a PDF file to Cathy Sherrow at csherrow@truman.edu. The best usage for this copier is small quantities because it is not a large production machine. All large number items and sizes larger than 11x17” must still go on the press. Allow the standard four-day turnaround time for the color copier. Publications in Kirk Building, or Fine Arts Publication in Ophelia Parrish, can assist in designing projects and can send them directly to Printing Services.

Truman 2009
International Film Festival
Sept. 9-Nov. 18
Eldorado • Belgium*  Sept. 9
El Nombre (Without Name)  Mexico  Sept. 16
Entre les murs (The Class)  France*  Sept. 23
Les chansons d'amour (Love Songs)  France*  Nov. 4
Les témoins (The Witnesses)  France*  Nov. 11
Okuribito (Departures)  Japan  Oct. 21
XXY  •  Argentina  Oct. 28
Treeless Mountain • South Korea  Nov. 4
Okuribito (Departures)  Japan  Oct. 21
Les chansons d'amour (Love Songs)  France*  Nov. 18

*Presented as part of the Tournées Festival, which was made possible with the support of the Cultural Services of the French Embassy and the French Ministry.

Off-Campus Students: Meal Plan Purchase Now Available Online
Off-campus meal plans may now be purchased online. Go to: TruView, Student Tab/My Accounts, Off-campus meal plan purchase option.

For questions contact the Business Office at busoffice@truman.edu.
Phi Sigma Pi Wins Awards at Convention

Truman’s Beta Chapter of Phi Sigma Pi was recently honored at the 2009 Phi Sigma Pi National Convention in Louisville, Ky. This year the chapter was recognized with two awards: Outstanding Initiate Program and Top in Region Award for the Central Region. Phi Sigma Pi is a National Coed Honor Fraternity that is founded upon the principles of Scholarship, Leadership and Fellowship. The Beta Chapter at Truman State University is currently comprised of 56 students. Pictured, left to right, Kelly Albright, Alex Kaizer, Stacy Marshall, Joseph Grissom, Andrew Kaizer, Brad Dunlap, Chandler Ballentine, and David Lee White Jr.