Summer Grants to be Awarded to Bring Traditional Courses Online

The Truman Institute is offering a second round of summer incentive grant opportunities specifically targeted at redesigning courses for online delivery.

These grants are designed to move toward the goal of having each major offering at least one online course, where feasible, within the next couple of summer sessions.

Grant applications are due by March 26. Application forms can be found at institute.truman.edu/forms.asp. The first two links on the page contain the application form and the RFP for the grant.

Several grants were awarded in the first round, but up to 10 awards are still available.

It is highly important to grow Truman’s summer offerings in ways that help keep students taking courses at Truman. Students will increasingly take their summer courses elsewhere if Truman does not rise to meet the demand for flexibility that online courses provide.

Moreover, offering content to students during the summer keeps them engaged in the curriculum.

While teaching students in the traditional classroom should, and will continue to be, Truman’s mission, offering some online content in targeted areas during the summer term, helps support the health of the institution and its students.

Faculty with questions about this process may contact Kevin Minch at 785.5384 or kminch@truman.edu.

Students Represent Truman at Capitol

Truman students stand on the Missouri State Capitol steps in Jefferson City with Sen. Brian Munzlinger and Rep. Zachary Wyatt during Capitol Appreciation Day, Feb. 22. Many of the students had research on display in the Capitol rotunda and presented their findings to their hometown senator and representative.

Save the Date

Unveiling of the Dr. Darrell W. Krueger Presidential Portrait
3:30 p.m. • March 30
Pickler Memorial Library 308
Agriscience Awards Nominations Open

The Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation, a federal government agency, is now accepting nominations for the 2012 Agriscience Awards. The awards are presented by the Foundation in partnership with the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The mission of the partnership is to present the Third Annual Agriscience Awards to recognize, through four monetary awards, one scientist, one current high school educator and two current high school students who are judged to exemplify excellence in the field of agriscience and to highlight the importance of agriculture in the 21st century.

One $10,000 Distinguished Agriscience Scientist Award will be presented to a scientist who is making or has recently made significant and positive contributions in the field of agriscience.

One $5,000 Agriscience Educator Award will be presented to a current high school educator with at least five years of teaching experience and who emphasizes concepts, principles and applications in their curriculum to promote the study of agriscience to students.

Two $1,000 Agriscience Student Awards will be presented to current high school students who are making or have recently made significant and positive contributions related to the study of agriscience.

All nominations are accepted online only at www.agriscienceawards.com. Competition rules and regulations may also be accessed at this site. The deadline for nominations is March 13.

Any questions may be directed to Judi Shellenberger, executive director of the Foundation at judithscolumbus@cs.com or 315.258.0090.

Truman SIFE Team Wins at Regional Competition

Truman’s SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) team was recently named the third place winner at the ConocoPhillips Ethics Case Competition in Manhattan, Kan., Feb. 2-4. The event was developed and hosted by Kansas State University’s SIFE Team.

“The competition was an extremely rewarding experience. It allowed Truman State SIFE to compete against much larger, Division I schools and show just how successful we are. We are very proud to have placed third at this competition and cannot wait to return next year to improve upon this success,” Cody Hagan, Truman SIFE president, said.

Along with a third place plaque, the team also received a check for $1,000. The Truman SIFE team plans to put this money right back into the projects that they are planning. Every year the team organizes and puts on numerous projects that benefit the University, local community and surrounding area.

In this competition, participating students had 36 hours to utilize their business skills for analyzing, researching and developing a solution to a case about an ethical dilemma. After developing a solution, they created a professional presentation, which included a verbal script, visual slides and a written executive summary. Business leaders and university faculty served as judges for the event and evaluated the presentations.

Truman’s SIFE team displays a $1,000 check and plaque after winning third place at the ConocoPhillips Ethics Case Competition at Kansas State University Feb. 2-4. Pictured, left to right: Shannon Colligan, Iliyana Kuneva, Cody Hagan and Jessie Eubank.

FAFSA Applications Available Now

The 2012-2013 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now available at www.fafsa.gov. It is important to apply before April 1 to be considered for all available funding. The government allows filing with estimates in order to meet early state or institutional deadlines.

The FAFSA is also required for Parent (PLUS) Loans. Contact the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103, or call 785.4130 with any questions.
Concert Percussion Ensemble Invited to Festival

The Truman Concert Percussion Ensemble I, under the direction of Michael Bump, professor of music, has been honored with an invitation to be the featured ensemble at the Missouri Percussion Arts Festival for the second time, March 2-3 at the Cowan Civic Center in Lebanon, Mo.

The Truman Concert Percussion Ensemble will perform the featured evening performance, showcasing a wide variety of traditional, world/ethnic and contemporary percussion music for large and small percussion ensembles. Between Concert Percussion Ensembles I & II, there are 23 student performers, both music majors and non-majors.

This is the 5th annual Missouri Percussion Arts Festival, which draws high school through professional-level musicians from all over the country to compete in solo competitions, participate in performance and educational clinics as well as visit with representatives of the percussion instrument manufacturing industry.

In addition to the Percussion Arts Festival performance, the Truman ensemble will also be performing recruiting concerts at high schools in the Springfield, Mo., area.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Wells Fargo is offering 40 $1,000 scholarships. Twenty will be awarded to high school students and 20 to college students through a random drawing throughout the year. Apply online at wellsfargo.com/collegesteps for chance to win.

The Joshua Pond Law Scholarship is now available. The applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident, must presently have a cumulative 2.5 GPA or higher and must be currently enrolled at an accredited two- or four-year college, trade school or university. Visit joshuapondlaw.com/scholarship to find out more information. Deadline for application is Feb. 29.

Scholarships are available through Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Inc., for the 2012-2013 academic year. Last year they awarded more than $13,000 in scholarships. Two students selected by the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri will be submitted to Central Region as an applicant and to National Gardens Club Inc., as a Missouri applicant and will compete for a Central Region and National Scholarship. The application is available at www.gardenclub.org/Youth/Scholarships.aspx. The deadline to apply is March 1.

The J. R. Popalisky Scholarship Fund of the Missouri Section of the American Water Works Association is now available. This $1,000 scholarship is to encourage enrollment in educational studies related to career fields associated with water supply. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103. Deadline for submission is March 21.

U.K. FULBRIGHTS AVAILABLE FOR SUMMER COURSES

The U.K. Fulbright Commission announced the opening of an additional Summer Institute to take place at the King’s College London Summer School. This three-week program for U.S. undergraduates will center around the theme of the London 2012 Olympics Games. All Summer Institutes will provide an immersive academic, cultural and social experience for freshman or sophomore American students who wish to deepen their knowledge of the U.K. The Commission is now offering a total of seven opportunities for U.S. undergraduates. The application deadline is March 16. For more information on each Institute and details on how to apply, visit www.fulbright.co.uk/fulbright-awards/for-us-citizens/summer-institutes.

Invisible Children

8 p.m. March 13
Student Union Building
Down Under

Residence Life, Truman in Africa and Alpha Kappa Lambda have teamed up to bring Invisible Children to Truman’s campus to screen their newest movie about the longest-lasting conflict in Africa.

The movie, entitled “Kony,” seeks to inform about the atrocities committed in the past 23 years.

The event is entirely free of charge and following the screening, a young man or woman from Africa that has been personally affected by the conflict will speak briefly and field questions from the audience.

NEXT ISSUE

Due to midterm break, the next issue of the Truman Today will be released:

Online • March 12
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Points of Excellence Award Staff Nominations Open

Nominations for the Points of Excellence Award are available to honor a staff member who has done exceptional work. The nomination, sponsored by the Human Resources Office, can be accessed at hr.truman.edu/recognition/excellence/. The deadline for nomination is March 2 and completed nomination forms should be sent to the Human Resources Office in McClain Hall 101.
**NOTES**

**Faculty Lunch-n-Learn session two,** Feb. 29 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Pickler Memorial Library 103, will focus on the use of Panopto in online, blended and face-to-face classes.

**Wind Symphony II and Concert Band will perform** a concert at 8 p.m. Feb. 29 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

**Ekklesia will provide a free showing of the move** “Courageous” at 9 p.m. Feb. 29 in Baldwin Hall Little Theatre for their leap year celebration. Free popcorn and refreshments will be served. For more information, visit ekklesia.truman.edu.

**The University Orchestra concert** will take place at 8 p.m. March 1 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

**The American Association of University Professors (AAUP)** will host its monthly meeting at 12 p.m. March 1 in Student Union Building 3201. Contact Marc Becker at marc@truman.edu or call 785.6036 for more information.

The next Faculty Forum, presented by Heather Cianciola from the English department, is scheduled from 6:30-8 p.m. March 13 in Violette Hall 1000. “Fallen Women and Daring Speech: Victorian Devotional Poetry” will be presented with a reception to follow.

**The Truman Writing Center is looking for candidates to be writing consultants for the 2012-13 academic year.** They will consider well-qualified students from all disciplines. Scholarship, stipend (limited) and work-study positions are available.

**Registation for the Big Event** is open through March 2 for students and March 11 for hosts. The Big Event will take place March 17. Register online at serve.truman.edu/bigevent.

**International Student Affairs job applications** are due by 5 p.m. March 2. Positions include: cultural integration leaders, cultural integration leader coordinator, academic success mentors and office assistants. Details on each position can be found on TruPositions.

**Political Fellowship for Women**

The Sue Shear Institute is accepting applications for delegates from Truman. This opportunity helps women learn how to make the political sector more accessible.

This week-long fellowship (May 20-25 at the University of St. Louis, all expenses paid) includes panel discussions, small-group exercises, skill-building workshops, a trip to Jefferson City to participate in a mock legislative session and opportunities to network with women leaders who are already helping to shape public policy.

The deadline is March 16. Those interested can apply at www.scribd.com/fullscreen/81075007?access_key-1a7vnnH4emr1qum452x2z9 or visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/TrumanSueShear?

**Scholastic Enhancement Experience Counselor Positions Open**

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**CSI Leadership Recognition Program Nominations**

Nominations for the Leadership Recognition Program are open now through March 14.

The Center for Student Involvement is sponsoring this program to honor Truman students, advisors and organizations for their dedication to their peers, campus and Kirksville community through various leadership roles during the year.

Nomination information can be obtained online at csi.truman.edu/lrp/. For more information on this event, contact the CSI by phone at 785.4222 or by email at csilrp@gmail.com.

**Women's Basketball Heads to Tournament**

Truman’s women’s basketball team will play Emporia State in the first round of the MIAA Basketball Tournament at 8:15 p.m. March 1 at the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo.

Bulldog fans can now purchase all-session, single-session and student tickets through Truman with all-session and single-session tickets available at a discounted price. Fans can place their order by contacting the ticket office at 785.4127, visiting the Sports Information Office in Pershing Building 305, or by purchasing them online at gobulldogs.truman.edu/store.

**Special Olympics Buddies Needed**

The Students Supporting the Exceptional Community is looking for volunteers to be buddies for the athletes at the Special Olympics, 12-5 p.m. April 21. Buddies will remain with an assigned athlete all day, cheering them on and helping them enter their events. Volunteers can sign up to be a buddy anytime by contacting Kristen Little at knl7714@truman.edu.

**Pickler Memorial Library**

Connect from Home…

Truman’s virtual private network (VPN) is available to provide a secure network connection between an off-site computer system the local Truman network. VPN connects to Truman network drives, accesses the restricted library databases and connects to most other Truman network resources. Contact the ITS HelpDesk at 785.4544 with questions.

**Spring Break Hours at the Student Recreation Center**

**March 2:** 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
**March 3-4:** closed
**March 5-9:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
**March 10:** closed
**March 11:** 4-7 p.m.

**The Quincy Symphony Chorus** will present “A Night Among the Stars” Pops Concert at 7:30 p.m. March 3 at Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ in Quincy, Ill. Admission is free for faculty, staff and students with a Truman ID.

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