Truman Receives Multiple No. 1 Rankings From US News & World Report

For the 16th year in a row, Truman State University has been recognized as the No. 1 Public Regional University in the Midwest. This recognition comes from the newly released U.S. News & World Report’s 2013 edition of “Best Colleges.” Truman is also ranked as No. 8 overall in the region among both private and public institutions that provide a full range of undergraduate and master’s programs.

Truman was also given a No. 1 ranking in the “A Strong Commitment to Teaching” section and was one of only four schools in the Midwest region to be listed in this section. The University was also recognized at the No. 4 spot in the region in the “Great Schools at Great Prices” section. Truman is the only public school on this list and the only Missouri school among the 15 listed colleges.

This year’s guidebook highlights other aspects of Truman that make the University unique. In the “A Focus on Student Success” section, Truman was recognized in both “Study Abroad” and “Undergraduate Research/Creative Projects.” Truman is continuously recognized as being one of the top master’s universities with a high population of students studying abroad. Truman’s undergraduate research program is well known for the fact large numbers of students are able to participate in research at the undergraduate level as opposed to waiting until graduate school. Inclusion in this section is based on nominations from college presidents, chief academic officers and deans of admissions. The schools with the most nominations were listed alphabetically.

U.S. News & World Report bases its regional rankings on peer assessment, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and alumni giving. Complete listings are available at www.usnews.com/colleges.

The U.S. News & World Report ranking is the latest recognition for Truman. In the Washington Monthly September/October 2012 magazine, Truman was recognized as the No. 6 master’s university in the nation. Truman is the only Missouri school listed in the top 50 and the only public Missouri school on the entire Top 100 Master’s Universities list.

Truman Theatre to Showcase “Rebel Voices”

Those interested in seeing America’s vivid and tumultuous history brought to life are invited to attend the University Theatre Department’s performance of “Rebel Voices” at 8 p.m. Sept. 26-29 in the James G. Severns Theatre, located in Ophelia Parish.

The play is based on the book “Voices of the People’s History of the United States” written by Howard Zinn and Anthony Arnove. The book is a collection of speeches, letters and writings from both famous and little-known Americans whose work became major symbols of non-traditional thinking throughout the eras.

A cast of 10 Truman students will portray various American figures including well-known characters such as Helen Keller, the New York Mechanicks, Susan B. Anthony, Tecumseh, Emma Goldman, Eugene Debs, Frederick Douglass and Bob Dylan.

Immediately following opening night Sept. 26 Rob Urbinati, the playwright, will host a question and answer session in the theatre. A reception with refreshments will be offered in the Ophelia Parrish lobby.

Tickets are available in the Ophelia Parrish Box Office, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Nine Truman nursing students will present “Transcultural Nursing Experience in the Philippines” at 7 p.m. Sept. 25 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

The presentation focuses on the students’ hands-on clinical experience and cultural immersion while spending three weeks studying abroad in the Philippines.

During the first half of the trip students work at the nonprofit government facility Jose R. Reyes Memorial Medical Center in Manila. There, they volunteer in areas such as labor and delivery, pediatric, intensive care, the emergency room and the operating room.

Students finish the program by traveling to Iloilo City, where they are paired with local nursing-student “buddies” from West Visayas State University. With their buddies, Truman nursing students participate in various clinical experiences such as visiting a leprosanum, a social hygiene clinic, a nursing home and conducting home visits in a village located just outside of Iloilo City.

Preparation for the trip began last spring. Students researched cultural practices and communicable diseases common in the country.

The presentation is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

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Truman’s United Way Campaign began Sept. 13 with a goal of $56,000. All faculty and staff members should have received information about the campaign through campus mail.

Individuals who did not receive campaign information, or have questions, may contact co-chairs Sally Herleth at sallydet@truman.edu or Pam Ryan at pjryan@truman.edu.

Donations support the United Way of Adair County, benefiting those in the area. The local United Way has among the lowest overhead in the nation. This allows a greater percentage of contributions to go straight to local programs that help people pursue the goals of education, income and health.

**Recent statistics show the United Way touches one out of three individuals in the area.**

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**AES Engineers** will continue to provide $500 scholarships to high school seniors or college students, regardless of courses being studied, who meet certain criteria. Scholarships are intended for future leaders across a wide spectrum of fields of study. Students must submit an essay in answer to one of the two questions that are posted online at aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm. Deadline for entry is Oct. 5.

**HotelsCheap** is offering a need based $2,500 scholarship. To find out more about this scholarship, visit hotelscheap.org/scholarship. Deadline for entry is Oct. 15.

**CableTV** is taking haiku submissions to be entered for their $1,000 scholarship. More information is available www.cabletv.com/scholarship. Deadline to enter is Oct. 31.

**The Foreclosure.com 2012 Scholarship Program** is available to currently enrolled undergraduate students. Students may go to foreclosure.com/scholarship to find out how to be entered to win one of five scholarships by writing an essay on stimulating the U.S. housing market. Top prize is $5,000, second through fifth place will receive $1,000 each. Deadline to enter is Dec. 1.

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**Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner**

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All information, rules and registration requirements are online at recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467. Captains’ Meeting is at 4:30 p.m. in the SRC Conference Room. *Register through the Advancement Office, 205 McClain Hall.

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**Hispanic Heritage Month Events**

- **Kick-Off Latin America Festival** 3-5 p.m. • Sept. 17
- **“Sin Mapa” Documentary Movie Screening** 6:30-8 p.m. • Sept. 18
- **Student Union Building Down Under**
- **Latin Dance Lessons** 6:30-8:30 p.m. • Sept. 20
  Formal or dance shoes are suggested.
- **Grupo Axé Capoeira Dance Performance and Workshop** 6:30-8 p.m. • Sept. 21
- **Latin Cup 3v3 Soccer Tournament** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. • Sept. 22
  $20 for student teams, $25 for non-student teams, $5 per individual. Guaranteed two games.
  Register online at halo.truman.edu.
- **Spicy Sunday Dinner** 5-6:30 p.m. • Sept. 23
  Ryle Hall Lounge
  Join us for an evening of free food and Hispanic culture.
- **“Rebel Voices”** 8 p.m. • Sept. 26-29
  Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall
- **North Central Missouri Multi-Cultural Festival** 8 a.m.–7 p.m. • Sept. 29
  Milan, Mo.

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**McNair Program Informational Meetings**

- **3 p.m. • Oct. 1**
  Student Union Building
  Conference Room 3000

- **3:30 p.m. • Oct. 4**
  Student Union Building
  Activities Room

The Oct. 4 meeting will focus on STEM majors, but students from any major are welcome to attend.

For more information, visit mcnair.truman.edu.
facilities for the departments of Military Science, as well as the departments of Psychology and to facilitate the relocation of the renovations recently completed for faculty and staff to see the open house is an opportunity at 4 p.m. Sept. 21 in Barnett Hall. Studies will host an open house the School of Social and Cultural be available, as well as some healthy stress management resources will screening, stress balls and other massage chairs located in the library, will be celebrating its the grand opening. Blood pressure will be available for free trial during the Wellness Zone, located inside the library, will be celebrating its grand opening from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 20 on the Quad. Students will have the opportunity to practice and learn about stress management techniques. Two back massage chairs located in the library will be available for free trial during the grand opening. Blood pressure screening, stress balls and other stress management resources will be available, as well as some healthy snacks. The School of Social and Cultural Studies will host an open house at 4 p.m. Sept. 21 in Barnett Hall. The open house is an opportunity for faculty and staff to see the renovations recently completed to facilitate the relocation of the departments of Psychology and Military Science, as well as the facilities for the departments of Communication, Justice Systems and Society and Environment. Stop by for complimentary refreshments and tours from 4-5 p.m.

The University will be conducting a public auction of surplus property at 9 a.m. Sept. 22 at Dulaney-Baldwin Building No. 4 located on Hwy 63 South and LaHarpe Street.

Ekklesia will sponsor a free concert by the a cappella gospel group Durant at 7 p.m. Sept. 22 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

SafeZone training will be available to faculty and staff at 4 p.m. Sept. 24 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. The program will inform participants on how to help create a safer environment for LGBT students on the Truman campus. For more information, contact Joe Hamilton at hamilton@truman.edu or visit safezone.truman.edu.

Amber Johnson, professor and chair of anthropology, will give a short talk about the archaeology of Northeast Missouri at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 in the Ruth W. Towne Museum. The talk will focus on the basic pattern of culture change in this region and why it differs from surrounding regions. There will be a brief meeting for anyone interested in becoming a member of the newly founded Northeast Missouri chapter of the Missouri Archaeological Society immediately following the talk.

The Fourth Annual Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Symposium will take place 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 29 on the A.T. Still University campus. More information can be found at atsu.edu/research/conferences seminars.

Reslife will host Octoberfest from 4-7 p.m. Oct. 5 on the Mall. Stop by for fun, food, root beer and live performances.

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