Truman Signs Articulation Agreement with Indian Hills Community College

The presidents of Indian Hills Community College and Truman State University have signed an agreement that will make it easier for Indian Hills students who wish to transfer to Truman to complete a bachelor’s degree.

The articulation agreement is good news for IHCC students in the college’s Arts and Sciences division who plan to attend Truman after getting their Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree from Indian Hills. The courses those students take at IHCC will be accepted by Truman. The agreement ensures a smooth transition from IHCC to Truman for a wide range of academic majors. As course changes are made at either institution, the agreement will be reviewed to make sure the courses still comply with the terms of the original agreement.

Indian Hills President Jim Lindenmayer said he is “happy to have an affiliation with a great university like Truman State.” “Anything we can do to help to ease the transition for our students who wish to transfer to a four-year school is a good thing for Indian Hills,” Lindenmayer said.

Truman President Barbara Dixon noted that the new articulation agreement is important for the University. Dixon said, “One of our goals is to add more transfer students and this agreement will help accomplish that goal.” She said such agreements help prospective students, and she is “excited” about the new opportunity.

Two Students Win Rotary Scholarships

Two Truman students, Amy Mitchell, senior Spanish major from Kansas City, Mo., and Lauren Shulte, senior English major from St. Louis, were recently awarded the two available District 6040 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships.

The scholarship will fund one year of study abroad for the 2005-2006 academic year, including room and board, travel and tuition, with a maximum value of $25,000. Only two of these scholarships were awarded this year at the district level and both went to Truman students. The district included more than 50 Rotary clubs from the northern third of Missouri.

While abroad, the recipients will be expected to serve as ambassadors of goodwill to the people of the host country and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. They will also share their experiences with local Rotary club chapters once they return to the United States.

Mitchell hopes to study abroad in Central or South America and Shulte would like to study in Africa. The final decision will be made by Rotary International.

David Nichols, professor emeritus of music, was the chairman of the district level selection committee.
Milan Volunteers Provide Service to Latino Youths in Milan

Milan Volunteers, a new student organization at Truman, provides assistance to Latino adults and youth at the Milan Centro Latino in Milan, Mo.

For several weeks, these bilingual college students have been assisting with the Tuesday and Thursday evening English classes. April 17, Milan Volunteers sponsored a picnic at the American Legion Park in Milan for Latino children and their parents. Mexican dishes were donated by El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant, La Pachanga, and Latino residents from Milan. The college students entertain the children with soccer, face paints, Latin music and crafts.

Milan Volunteers provides college students with opportunities to practice Spanish in native speaking settings. Likewise, the students provide service to the Latino community. Next fall, Milan Volunteers plan to facilitate after-school tutoring for Latino school children, a mentoring program to help the students graduate. They will also give presentations on important issues and plan social events. The purpose of the picnic was to allow Latino parents to become acquainted with the Truman students.

Kirksville Image Campaign Committee Selects Slogan

The Kirksville Image Campaign committee unveiled the slogan they chose to represent the town April 28.

Julie Rosenthal submitted the winning slogan, “Kirksville - Where people make the difference.” Rosenthal’s slogan was chosen from a pool of nearly 500 entries. Her entry won her $250 and a T-shirt with the new slogan on the front.

The Kirksville Image Campaign Committee was formed to develop the Kirksville area image campaign which will help improve the overall image of the Kirksville area with both existing and prospective area residents and businesses.

The committee hopes area organizations will use the slogan on promotional materials such as flyers and Web sites.

The campaign Web site is http://www.KVIMAGE.org.

Nursing Program Receives Donation From Macon Health Care Center

The Macon Health Care Center has donated $1,567.44 to the Truman State University Nursing Program. This money will be used to purchase a physical limitation simulation suit. Macon Health Care raises money for the foundation for geriatric education each year.

Jodi Crawford, (left) RN, BSN, DON at Macon Health Care Center, presents Stephanie Powelson, (right) BSN, MPH, EdD, Nursing Program Director at Truman State University, with a check.

McNair Director Candidates

Linda Eikmeier Endersby
visited campus May 3

John Ishiyama
May 5

Open forum for faculty and staff
1-2 p.m. • SUB Activities Room

Open forum for students
2-3 p.m. • SUB Activities Room
Notables

Steve Carroll, associate professor of biology, and Steve Salt, will have the book they co-wrote, “Ecology for Gardeners,” published this month by Timber Press.

Masahiro Hara, assistant professor of Japanese, had a paper titled “Why do L2 learners optionally choose a certain divergent analysis of TL over a TL-like one?” accepted in EUROSLA Yearbook 2004.


Sara E. Orel, associate professor of art history, presented two papers this spring. At the Central States meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Schools of Oriental Research in St. Louis, she delivered a paper titled “Mixed Messages: Regionalism and the Dating of Ceramic Assemblages at Beni Hasan.” She delivered “Social Stratification in Middle Kingdom Burials at Beni Hasan” in Tucson at the annual meeting of the American Center in Egypt. She has also been selected as one of 16 participants in the 2004 Asian Studies Development Program’s Malaysia and Indonesia: Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad. Through this program she will spend five weeks in peninsular Malaysia and Sumatra this summer.

Lloyd Pflueger, associate professor of philosophy and religion, was accepted for NEH Summer Institute on “Religion and Politics in India” June 6-July 10 at the East-West Institute in Honolulu, Hawaii. Pflueger gave an invited paper, “Dueling with Dualism” at the University of Missouri April 21 for the MU department of philosophy.

Truman Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau Hosts 4th Capstones of Nursing Conference

The Rho Omega Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Society will host their 4th Capstones of Nursing May 4 at Truman.

The conference will convene at 9:30 a.m. in the Student Union Building Activities Room with poster displays. At 10:15 a.m. Susan Kendig, clinical assistant professor from the University of Missouri-St. Louis and Barnes College of Nursing, will present the keynote address, “The Bedside and Beyond: From Practice to Policy.” Recognition of clinical preceptors will be given during the luncheon in the Student Union Building Governors Room.

Beginning at 1 p.m., other presentations will cover topics such as “Nurse Residency: Fostering Clinical Excellence,” “Implementation of Evidence Based Practice for Post-operative Wound Infections on a Medical-Surgical Unit,” “Breastfeeding Women and the Process of Persuasion: Effects on Breastfeeding Decisions and Behaviors,” “Prenatal Screening for HIV in Northeast Missouri,” “Using the Standardized Nursing Language of NANDA, NIC and NOC in Behavioral Management Planning,” “Stages of Change: Adoption of Testicular Self-Examination,” “The Personal Digital Assistant: Experiences in the Use of a ‘Techie Textbook’ for Nursing Clinicals,” and “The Truman Freshman Experience: Integration into the Nursing Curriculum.” These presentations will be given by faculty from the Truman nursing program and Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing and nurse scholars from Blessing-Rieman Medical Center. The senior nursing students from Truman will deliver their Capstone presentations concurrently in the afternoon.

The Nursing Honor Society at Truman was chartered into Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society as Rho Omega Chapter March 19. Rho Omega has sponsored the Capstones of Nursing research conferences yearly in collaboration with Pi Pi Chapter from Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing. The public is invited to attend the presentations.

Looking for a new screensaver or desktop wallpaper for your computer?

New scenic images of Truman and sports pictures are available for use at http://www.webshots.com by searching for the member “trumanweb.”

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES MINOR COMMITTEE

The committee members were voted on by faculty who teach the courses eligible for this minor.

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Students interested in the minor may be able to receive credit for some applicable courses already taken, if the Committee approves them as part of a Learning Plan. For more information, contact any of the committee members.
If you are a graduating senior or a student who lives off-campus, the Environmental Awareness Committee would like you to know that a local business will accept donated used furniture that you might otherwise be sending to the trash. If you have furniture that you do not wish to take home with you, please call 627.3365 for more information.

If you made a reservation for May 15 at Patterson’s prior to spring break, please call 627.4800. Patterson’s reservation book disappeared prior to spring break, so they have no record of any reservations made for the day of spring commencement.

The SERVE Center is hosting a “Day in May Dance” from 5:30-8:30 p.m., May 4, at the Kirksville Moose Lodge (located across from Leisure World on Highway 11). This is a free event.

The Final Round of the Chandler Monroe Oratorical Contest will be at 6 p.m., May 4, in the SUB Alumni Room. The top six speeches will be presented and refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact Keri Bodensteiner at 785.4005.

A student piano recital will be presented at 8 p.m., May 4, in the OP Performance Hall. The public is invited to attend this free event. For more information, contact David McKamie at 785.4405.

Dobson Hall Wins Recycling Competition

Howard Worcester, recycling coordinator, (center) presented Adam Hardin, Dobson Hall community coordinator, (left) and Josh Lemmer, Dobson Hall director, (right) with the trophy made by the Art Club for winning the 2004 recycling competition. Grim Hall has won the competition the previous two years.

Dobson Hall won the Residence Hall Aluminum Can Competition by collecting the most aluminum cans to recycle. The winner was determined by the hall population to can weight ratio. The competition was held from April 14-21.

The Weekly Lunch Series for Truman faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs ends the year with “Summer Online Classes- Meet the Faculty Behind Them” from 12:30-1:30 p.m., May 5, in the SUB Spanish Room. For more information, call the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477.

American Choral Directors Association is having a car wash from 11 a.m.-3 p.m., May 9, in the Hy-Vee parking lot. There is no fee, but donations would be appreciated. For more information, contact Brian Sevits at bds730@truman.edu or at 665.7897.

Graduate student applications for August 2004 graduation are due May 14. December 2004 graduation applications are due Aug. 6. For more information, contact the Graduate Student Office at 785.4109.

This year’s annual boiler shutdown for maintenance and inspection is scheduled for May 16-27. The campus will be without steam for building heat and hot water throughout the shutdown period. It is anticipated that the boilers will be back online by the afternoon of May 27. If you have questions regarding shutdown, or if you have schedule conflicts to address, please notify the Physical Plant Office as soon as possible at 785.4200.

The next issue of the Truman Today will be May 11.

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