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Rebecca Brown of the UCGreen Team recycles on move-in day in August.

New UC faculty members' plans

National searches successful, leading to 27 new faculty

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This year, Ursinus College has 11 full-time, two part-time visiting and 14 part-time faculty members joined the Ursinus College faculty. Ursinus has spent time conducting national searches in order to find the best, most qualified people to fill these positions.

Jeffrey Brown is one of the new full-time faculty members. Brown is a CIE Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellow. CIE is what specifically brought Brown to Ursinus.

"I'm from an English Department, so a lot of the skills and strategies that I bring to CIE come from my experience in teaching literature," said Brown. "[In CIE] we're reading texts not from one single disciplinary standpoint, so I hope to bring to Ursinus some of the skills and strategies that I developed reading texts in English literature."

Brown also expressed interest in discovering how he can use his experience, "I also hope to gain a broader sense of how I can bring my skills and expertise in literature into a kind of connection with the sorts of education that students in different kinds of classrooms," he said.

Brown said that the campus has been very welcoming to him as a new faculty member, and he admires the collective mission and openness that Ursinus constantly exhibits.

He enjoys the way that students and faculty interact with one another and the honesty of the dialogue that he has witnessed between them.

He said that he appreciates the students who are interested in a broader sense of what their college experience is, could and should be.

Brown loves the contributions that the students make to the college, and he only hopes to improve the college experience for all of his students.

Deborah Fearheller is another new full-time faculty member at Ursinus, working as an assistant professor in the exercise and sport science department.

Fearheller is on the tenure track and is in the process of setting up her laboratory, the heart lab.

"The heart lab, which is for hypertension and endothelial function and aerobic and resistance training," Fearheller said. "We're going to do exercise and diet interventions in college students and faculty and then in the community, as well as in clinical patients and look at the effects of exercise and diet on heart function and cardiovascular function."

Fearheller was at Ursinus a few years ago as an adjunct faculty member, and she knew many of the department members from that experience.

Her prior experience led to her awareness of the position she currently holds. She said she was excited to return to the world of academia.

Both Brown and Fearheller said that their love for the campus was a major attraction point for why they chose to become a part of the Ursinus faculty.

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Sustainability Week at UC

Professors discuss plans for Sustainability week

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Ursinus did not have Sustainability Week last year, but this year Shannon Spencer, Office of Sustainability planner, and Brandon Hoover, sustainability program coordinator, are looking forward to the upcoming success of Sustainability Week.

They have a lot of events planned to help promote awareness and to also have a lot of fun, including a sustainable football game, a community bike ride, a month-long energy competition and a tree planting.

Sustainability Week will kick off this year on Sept. 28 with a sustainable football game. Spencer said there will be EcoReps at the game, and they will encourage people to recycle.

They will help people decide what is compostable and what

is not. The game programs will also be put online in lieu of having to print out many programs. Throughout the game there will be announcements in regard to sustainability. The UC Bear and the giant water bottle will also be making an appearance.

That morning, the Office of Sustainability encourages students to go to the community yard sale in Waterworks Park from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Although this is not something that the school is running, the Office of Sustainability urges students to go out and support the community.

"Get out and reuse. Trash to treasure," Spencer said.

There will also be more community bike rides available. There will be bike rides leading up to Sustainability Week and more during the week. These bike rides are open to Bike Share members and non-Bike Share members. All

you need to remember is to bring your own bike.

Something else to look forward to is a UCARE and Sodexo collaboration for a Fairtrade Banana Split Dinner. All of the ingredients will be locally or fairly sourced.

Something new that is happening this year is a month-long energy competition that begins on Oct. 1. It is a dorm-based competition that is led by sustainability fellow, Hannah Marshall. The Residence Hall Energy Competition will begin during Sustainability Week but will go throughout the month of October. This competition will get students to use less energy.

"The building that can decrease as a percentage its overall energy use from the year prior

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Photo courtesy of College Communications

The Organic Garden has beehives that students can visit during Sustainability Week.

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will be declared the winner of the competition," Hoover said.

The Office of Sustainability will also be partnering with the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy to do a tree planting on Oct. 5. The Fall Harvest Festival at the UC Organic Farm will take place that same day. The Office

of Sustainability will be partnering with the Student Activities Office, UCARE and the facilities office.

There will be activities at the Harvest Festival, such as pumpkin carving and possibly a cider press to make cider, along with food and music.

During Sustainability Week, the movie "More than Honey"

will be shown. After the movie, the student beekeeper, Travis Maider, will be doing a tour of the hives that are on the UC Organic Farm.

"We are trying to get people to the farm," Hoover said. "A lot of people have come out to the farm for more educational things, but we want to make it more of a fun atmosphere as well."

Ursinus image beyond campus

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The Ursinus community extends beyond the physical campus in Collegeville.

A significant way in which Ursinus has been judged and compared with other higher education institutions is through the Colleges That Change Lives ranking.

"Ursinus is a star of the first magnitude in the small galaxy of colleges that change lives," the Colleges That Change Lives website said.

This site noticed Ursinus because of the wide selection of majors and minors for a small campus community.

"Ursinus is widely recognized for its comprehensive First-Year Experience program, which includes freshmen-only residence halls, outstanding advising and a unique seminar-style course, called the Common Intellectual Experience (CIE)," the Colleges That Change Lives website said.

Other ways the Internet is drawing students to Ursinus is through nation-wide ranking. High school seniors take particular interest in the ranking of dining facilities.

In the College Prowler ranking, Ursinus received a B- when compared with all the colleges in the nation. Overall, Wismer dining hall is attracting high school graduates and portraying a positive image of dining services at Ursinus.

As for campus activity, there is a wide variety of clubs and organizations that one could search and compare.

An example of one of these programs that give Ursinus a rea-

son to stand out would be the J.D. Salinger award for creative writing.

"The Washington Post" released an article Sept. 6 that reported how this tradition and award have helped to shape the educational track, image and individual lives of the award winners.

These awards and programs positively portray the image of the Ursinus community.

Ursinus promotes culture within its community as well, and the surrounding area recognized its efforts. Philly.com published an article regarding the Hillel program that celebrates the Jewish community and its collaboration with Ursinus' sustainability efforts. The website said that to celebrate the Jewish New Year, Rabbi Danielle Stillman thought to organize a trip to observe honeybees at the Ursinus-run farm.

Due to the distinction of this award, which is based on the famous author's attendance at Ursinus, it gives the school a chance to stand out from other schools and create an identity that is different from other liberal arts universities.

Another way the campus can observe their differences would be the day-in and day-out visual stimuli the community takes in: the artwork and sculptures sprinkled throughout the campus.

There is a wide variety of new art pieces, lectures and displays throughout the year at Ursinus that it can become difficult to keep track of all of these opportunities that are set up for the college, and Collegeville communities.

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COMMENTS SOUGHT FOR TENURE REVIEW

Student comments on teaching effectiveness and student-faculty interaction are invited at the time of a faculty member's review for tenure. Although student letters must be signed to be considered, student names may be withheld, upon request, when their comments are shared with the Promotion and Tenure Committee and the faculty member.

This year, the following members of the faculty are being reviewed for tenure:

-Deborah Barkun, Art & Art History, Cory Straub, Biology

Your feedback is strongly encouraged. Letters should be sent to Lucien T. Winegar, Office of the Dean by October 4, 2013. Your comments can be sent electronically to deansoffice@ursinus.edu.

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Among other new faculty members, Talia Argondezzi joined Ursinus as Director of the Writing and Speaking Program with Jennifer Fleeger as an assistant professor of media and communication studies, Lisa Grossbauer as a lecturer in mathematics and computer science and Anna Maria Hong as a visiting creative writer.

Abigail Kluchin joined Brown as a CIE Mellon Teaching Fellow. Brent Mattingly is an assistant professor of psychology, Edward Onaci is an assistant professor of history, Jacob Rothermel is a technical director and production manager and Jennifer Round is an assistant professor of biology.

Part-time visiting faculty include Faye Flam, science writer in residence for the Center for Science and Common Good, and Alexandria Frisch as an assistant professor in Jewish studies.

All new faculty members express great excitement for their roles at Ursinus. Each new member is highly qualified for their new role at Ursinus, and most of them have achieved the highest qualifications in their field. They all are looking forward to enriching the experience of each of their students during their college experience.

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The Berman Museum of Art is a unique and noteworthy example of what makes the Ursinus campus different from competing campuses.

This may be a positive example of Ursinus' unique location, but for the student body there is no real draw towards the Museum.

"I have never been in the Berman unless it was required for a class," junior Joe Kringler said.

"It doesn't really make the school any more significant from other schools," Bob Scaramuzza, another junior, said.

In this particular case, from the perspective of students, the Berman does not add any real draw to the campus.

There are national rankings and sources that place the Ursinus community above other competing schools, a significant example being Colleges That Change Lives. There are also misleaders such as the Berman that carry less significance to students than it is portrayed.

Tuition based on other colleges' numbers

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Over the last couple of years, Ursinus' tuition has risen about \$2,000 a year, a decision influenced by rival schools and amount of aid.

In the early 2000s, the chairman of the board of trustees told the president of Ursinus at the time, John Strassburger, the tuition increase occurred because it was too low.

The board voted to raise tuition and fees 17.6 percent to \$23,460 and to include a laptop for every incoming student to help soften the blow.

The next year, applications surged, and Ursinus received nearly 200 more applications than the year before. Within four years, the size of the freshman class had risen 35 percent to 454 students.

Another concern arose that tuition could affect students' confidence.

"I don't think it is the price necessarily," Courtney Williams, admission senior fellow, said. "Financial issues can cause students to lose focus, thus losing their confidence. It's a small percentage."

Students still have to pay that increase in money, although it is a relatively small rate change in comparison to other schools.

"Ursinus is among the lowest colleges in the US when it comes to tuition increase," Andrew Sturgill, assistant director of student financial services, said.

"Yes, when cost goes up, aid goes up, but when financial instability causes pressure on student and family every dollar counts," Williams said.

This idea led to a raise in student financial aid at Ursinus by nearly 20 percent making the total just under \$12.9 million. This means that a majority of its students paid less than half price.

Its additional aid helped increase Ursinus' popularity. In 2012, Ursinus was ranked number 70 on the list of 200 best val-

ues in private colleges by "Kiplinger's Personal Finance."

This magazine evaluates schools on their outstanding academics and economic value. The list considers the percentage of students who are admitted out of those who applied, the test scores of incoming freshmen, the ratio of students to faculty and the four- and five-year graduation rates.

This year Ursinus was one of only five national liberal arts colleges designated an up and coming college by "U.S. News & World Report." These colleges have made the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics, faculty, student life, campus or facilities.

"The U.S. News" ranks Ursinus in the top tier of national liberal arts colleges at number 75.

Ursinus is not the only college who has used this strategy. Colleges such as the University of Notre Dame, Bryn Mawr College, Rice University and the University of Richmond are just a few that have sharply increased tuition to match colleges they consider their rivals while also providing more financial assistance.

The recognition that families associate price with quality, and that a tuition rise, accompanied by discounts, have lured in more applicants and revenue.

Another big reason tuition rises is that institutions of higher learning react to one another's rise in tuition.

That kind of scrutiny influenced Bryn Mawr and caused the college to raise tuition and fees this year by about nine percent, their biggest jump in several years.

Bryn Mawr officials made the decision after their research showed that the college charged less than its rivals and awarded more aid.

The officials concluded that raising tuition would not lose applicants because prospective students already assumed that Bryn Mawr costs the same as comparable colleges.

Top stories from around the globe

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Syria calls chemical weapons deal a victory

According to the BBC, a Syrian minister called the U.S.-Russia deal on the Middle Eastern nation's chemical weapons a "victory" that averts war.

The agreement calls for Syria to provide details of its stockpile within a week and for the chemical weapons to be eliminated by mid-2014. If Syria fails to comply, the U.N. can authorize force as a last resort.

Syria's reconciliation minister Ali Haidar said, "[The agreement] helps Syria come out of the crisis, and on the other hand, it helps avoid the war against Syria depriving those who wanted to launch it of arguments to do so."

India tests nuclear missile

According to Al Jazeera, India successfully launched a second nuclear capable missile, the Agni-V, which can reach Beijing and much of Europe.

The first test of the new missile was conducted in April 2012. The Agni-V is the latest of a missile series that India had developed since the 1960s, and earlier versions could have reached Pakistan and Western China.

India is trying to keep up in an arms race with China, and Pakistan has raised concerns about an escalating South Asian arms race by increasing its number of nuclear warheads and nuclear weapons.

Floods hit Colorado

According to CNN, there are serious floods in Colorado. The death toll reached four, as officials recovered a body of a woman who got out of her vehicle last Thursday. FEMA and President

Obama declared a state of emergency for Boulder, Larimer and El Paso counties, and FEMA brought in four rescue teams.

The National Guard evacuated 285 people from the town of Jamestown, and 80 people in Boulder County are missing or unaccounted for. Also, Interstates 25 and 70 were closed down. Residents in Colorado were warned to go to higher ground immediately.

Germany rejects quota bill

According to "The Telegraph," members of parliament in Germany voted to defeat a measure of a quota that would introduce a 30 percent quota for females in corporate representation.

Members of parliament voted 320 votes to 277 votes to defeat the measure proposed by the opposition, the Social Democratic Party. Meanwhile, Germany has one of the lowest levels of women in corporate representation in the developed world, at 4 percent. German Chancellor, Angela Merkel, opposed the introduction of such quotas.

Chancellor Merkel's partners, the Free Democrats, opposed quotas, with one accusing the opposing party of "pillorying" the private sector.

South Korea shoots man swimming North

According to the BBC, South Korean troops shot a man trying to swim across the Imjin River to escape to the North, despite warnings to stop. Both the North and the South are still at war since the armistice of the Korean War.

This incident comes with the weakening of ties between the North and the South, since more than 800 South Koreans went into the Kaesong industrial complex, run by both nations. That industrial zone is located in North Korea and is home to 123 South Korean factories that employ more than 50,000 people in the North.



Photo courtesy of Steven M. Falk

Student families enjoy an outdoor picnic at last year's Family Day. Other events throughout the day include sports games, a petting zoo, and live music.

Family Day brings food, fun

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Each year, Ursinus hosts Family Day, a day for parents to come visit their child on campus and enjoy food, music, games and sports.

The event will make a return Saturday, Sept. 21, following in the footsteps of previous Family Days with the country fair and petting zoo making a return.

But the main attraction of past Family Days were all of the sports games on campus, and this year's event will not disappoint.

Both the football team and the field hockey team will be playing against Franklin & Marshall at noon.

At 1 p.m., the women's volleyball team will compete against Franklin & Marshall as well. At 4 p.m., the men's soccer team will compete against Dickinson College.

After that, women's soccer will compete against Franklin & Marshall at 6 p.m.

Associate Athletic Director Erin Stroble said that sports events like these play a big role in Family Day and consistently pull in large crowds each year.

"I think it just adds a little more excitement to the campus," Stroble said. "I think if it's a nice

day and there is a lot going on, it just adds to the excitement for the day."

The crowds at the sports events during Family Day have always been noteworthy and exciting, Stroble said.

The increased number of fans is definitely noticed by the different players competing throughout the day. The football team always draws a large crowd to the games they play on Family Day.

"When you are playing in front of a crowd it naturally gets you more excited, because it feels like we have people we are playing for."

— Kevin Monahan

"Family Day is one of the best game days of the year," said junior football player Kevin Monahan. "Every year it seems like we get a great turn out to this game and I believe it makes us play better. When you are playing in front of a crowd it naturally gets you more excited, because it feels like we have people we are playing for.

"It isn't just about our team," Monahan said, "it is about the entire school coming together and

supporting each other in a competitive way."

Throughout the day there will be many different activities on campus other than the sports events.

Some of these include a meet and greet with President Bobby Fong, a talk with previous students who have studied abroad who will talk about their experiences and their time away and arts and crafts for the smaller children hosted by the Ursinus College ambassadors.

Lunch will be an outdoor picnic in a Fall Festival style. A Protestant worship service offered to the community by College Chaplain Rev. Charles Rice and a Catholic mass sponsored by the Newman Society. The day will conclude at 10 p.m. with a movie screening in Lower Wismer.

The country fair theme this year will include the return of the petting zoo, face painting for the smaller children and live music by Jake Ousley, a Nashville musician.

But it's not just families and visitors who get to have all the fun.

"My favorite event from last year was the petting zoo," said Marilyn Day, a sophomore on campus, "I loved seeing all the animals and so did my family."

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Anna Maria Hong

Anna Maria Hong, visiting assistant English professor at Ursinus College, had a little taste of what it is like to be one of the best. Hong's poem, "A Parable," was chosen from thousands to be a part of a poetry anthology called The Best American Poetry, 2013.

Every year, The Best American Poetry anthology is released in September, and this year's edition was released Sept. 11. Editors in charge of selecting poems for the anthology noticed "A Parable" in the "Boston Review." Out of the many journals and thousands of poems that were published in 2012, 75 poems were selected to be included in the anthology.

Hong's "A Parable" was also accepted in two other anthologies as well: Best New Poets 2013 and 250 Poems: A Portable Anthology.

"The poem is partly about the relations between greed and societal failure," Hong said. "It was something that was very much on my mind at the time. I drafted it in 2011."

After earning her undergraduate degree in Philosophy from Yale, Hong received a M.A. in creative writing from the University of Texas in Austin. This program is called the Michener Center for Writers and is critically acclaimed as one of the best in the nation.

"I always knew I wanted to do some kind of writing," Hong said. "It took me a while to get to the point where I could do creative

writing."

Hong has been writing sonnets for eight years and wrote "A Parable" toward the end of that run. The rhyming structure of a sonnet has provided Hong with a vast amount of experience that helped her with over-rhyming in "A Parable."

"I got very interested in the sonnet by reading Irish poetry," Hong said. "That was my first conscious peaking of interest in form, and it was through reading in graduate school."

Besides Hong's extensive writing career, her teaching career is also well-developed. Hong has taught writing in a variety of places. Before Ursinus, she taught at Eastern Michigan University as well as at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Furthermore, she has also taught in the extension writers program of UCLA. The program is the largest open-enrollment creative writing and screenwriting program in the nation.

Hong now teaches a creative writing course at Ursinus through

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WORD ON THE STREET

What's your favorite class this semester?

"My favorite class so far is probably biomedical ethics with Dr. Sorenson. It's really demanding, but the topics are really interesting." -Doug Hickey, senior

"My favorite class would have to be world music. I have a lot of hard classes in the beginning of the day, and relaxing with music is a great end to the day." -Conor Flood, sophomore

"Environmental ethics. Mostly because of the professor, Dr. Sorenson is a fantastic guy." -Florrie Stoop sophomore

"Microbiology because it's applicable to the research I do on campus." -Sam Squires, senior

Student groups spread school spirit

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The UC Upbeats made their mark last Friday night on Patterson Field and the general hope is that they are here to stay. As the Ursinus football team took on The College of New Jersey, the Upbeats were right there beside them, creating an atmosphere like no other. This is the Upbeats' first year of existence, and last Friday night was their first official appearance.

The Upbeats are a band made up of Ursinus students and the Associate Professor of Music, Holly Hubbs who also plays saxophone in the band.

"Just sitting with everyone is really fun," Hubbs said. "I like to have that more informal relationship with everybody."

Ursinus recently started offering the music major last year. Hubbs believes that this is a great outlet for students who are looking to get any type of conducting or leadership experience as music majors, but she said that the Upbeats are a pep band specifically run by student leadership.

"The students that were present at the game seemed to have good feedback for the band members," Hubbs said. "The students and friends of students that came up to me after the game seemed excited about it."

The band here at Ursinus can sometimes take the back seat to the many sports teams that dominate the campus. On Friday night, the Upbeats were able to show just how important they are as they lifted the spirits of the players and fans alike to help cheer on the Bears to a 28-20 victory.

"We are hoping that this will bring some added exposure to the bands program as a whole,"



Photo by Heidi Jensen

The Ursinus pep band, the UC Upbeats, warm up with a song shortly before kickoff on Friday, Sept. 6, 2013. This was the first home game that they played.

Hubbs said.

The UC Upbeats would be nonexistent if not for the student-run group at Ursinus called UC Osos that was recently established last spring. UC Osos is a group of students who advertise upcoming sporting events and encourages the student body to show their support for the Bears. They make it their duty to raise awareness for all of the events and sports teams at Ursinus.

The president and co-founder of UC Osos, Jessica Bove, is happy about where things are headed.

"The first football game was kind of our first event," Bove said. "We haven't really had a lot of time to meet and plan about things, but it ended up being a really good turnout so that was

exciting."

UC Osos came up with the idea for the Upbeats, so it was important that they came out to support the band.

Although there was a great turnout for the football game, Bove said that the group plans to support all teams, events and groups equally.

Bove co-founded UC Osos with junior Cameron Kennedy, a former football player who is no longer able to play due to the amount of concussions he has received throughout his career.

Kennedy played a major role in getting the Upbeats started.

"Back when he was in high school he was saying that the pep band really gave a spirit to the football games and athletic

performances that we don't have here," Bove said.

"We thought it would be really cool to have that feeling of having a pep band and everyone cheering at the game."

Bove believes that the Ursinus band does not get the recognition that they deserve and that the Upbeats are a great way to spread that awareness.

"Right now the Upbeats are a pilot program so we are not 100 percent sure if they're going to keep continuing," Bove said. "We are trying to show them that they did amazing."

The energy that the UC Upbeats helped create Friday night was something special. The feedback they got from those who were in attendance was even better.

the English department, giving her advice to young writers aspiring for careers in the field.

"Don't be afraid to keep doing it," Hong said. "Read voraciously. Read everything. And write all the time. I think your job as a young writer is to be hungry, is to be voracious, and pursue your own curiosity."

"I think it is important to read widely. Don't get too focused on just the things you like immediately. There is so much out there, and there are so many different styles, techniques and approaches available to contemporary writers."

Hong is published in a variety of different journals and anthologies. The Best American Poetry 2013 is currently available in the bookstore at Ursinus.

Hong will be doing a reading of "A Parable" to the public Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. at the New School in New York City. With Hong, 18 other readers selected for the anthology will be reading along. Tickets to the event are free, and Hong invites all to attend.

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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Fringe Festival, TBA	Fringe Festival, TBA			KDK bake sale, 10 p.m. to midnight		Res Life Sexual Quizzo, 7-8 p.m.

Ursinus needs a practical living course

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After graduating college, many of us might be living on our own. However, how many of us are actually prepared to live away from home? Graduating college is stressful enough with managing loans, and I can't even imagine paying that debt and not being prepared for life after Ursinus.

According to the Atlantic Monthly Group, about 45 percent of college graduates live at home. More than half are going to be living away from home and may not know how to live independently.

I never thought about this until I asked myself, "What class do I wish Ursinus offered?" I would have to say I want a practical living class that teaches students how to do tasks like

balance a checkbook or manage a household. How many students can honestly say they know what to do if they lost their social security cards?

I find that students like going to their classes more when they

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find that material useful for the future. Many students are book smart and can do any math problem they are asked.

But how many of those students know how to change a flat tire? Through my many years of schooling, I've noticed a pattern of apathy among students. They ask questions like "Why do we need to read these CIE books?"

Students will, however, need to learn how to do things like pay a mortgage.

Seniors who graduate soon may be feeling uneasy about living alone.

"I was thinking about it this summer, and I was talking to my parents about what's going to happen after graduation and I realize that I don't know how to balance a checkbook or shop for an apartment," senior Courtney Stewart said. "I don't know how to do any of those things, which concerns me because graduation is in about eight months. I'm especially worried because I'm applying for Teach for America and I don't want to work in New Jersey or Pennsylvania, so if I get a job far away, I won't have my parents to help me like they usually do."

As my second year on campus begins, I sense the Ursinus

bubble. I feel oblivious to things that happen outside of campus. Around Ursinus Homecoming last year, when Hurricane Sandy hit, I had no idea a hurricane was even approaching the east coast.

"As a very recent graduate from UC, I realize that my four years crafted me into a critical thinker, a successful communicator as well as a probing philosopher," Kristin Cichowski, a graduate of the class of 2013, said. "All of these skills are no doubt revered in academia. After having spent only a few months in the workplace, however, I am realizing that not all of the skills needed in an academic environment translate into the workforce."

I sometimes forget about the reality of graduating in two years and having to be independent. Living the college life

helps you grow as a person, but there are a lot of things that I depend on my parents for that I am going to need to know after college. I know if I were a parent, I would feel uneasy allowing my child to live alone if he or she did not know how to do practical things.

I want Ursinus to offer a course that will make students feel confident living on their own after college. Career services and professors from various departments should teach sections of this class on what they wish they knew throughout college and after graduation. I wish practical skills were a core requirement too.



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Community service belongs in the curriculum



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The Ursinus experience is meant to craft better thinkers, leaders and citizens. Although this experience should help the individual gain employment and amass wealth, it should also prepare students to use their skills to help others. A community where everyone looks to advance a common good is definitely not the norm, but that does not mean we should strive for anything less.

In my opinion, the community service initiative in the college's strategic plan is positive for both the students and our neighbors, but I am fearful that we are not doing enough to bring this goal to fruition.

At a recent breakfast meeting

with President Fong, members of the Dean's office stated that roughly 65 percent of Ursinus students participate in community service. While that number is promising, I am fearful that the 35 percent not participating are missing out on an important experience.

Too often we are trapped inside our Ursinus bubble and do not see helping the outside community as a smart use of time. Although I understand that people are busy studying, playing sports and participating in clubs, it is important to look to our future and realize that our time at Ursinus is rather short.

Eventually, all of us will be joining the real world and we are responsible for ensuring that those communities are growing and advancing. Why not start shaping and impacting those communities while we have the time and resources to do so?

In the past year, our school has made great strides with regard to this issue. I challenge all of you to join this initiative and get involved.

I am a believer that it should be a graduation requirement that all students complete a certain

amount of community service. Although I am unsure what that amount is, I am confident in my belief that this experience humbles students and gives them an educational experience that will last much longer than some math equations or English passages.

Some may argue that service should be natural and that forcing it upon students is not the proper way to reach the goals I have listed above.

My counterargument to that thought is that the entire core curriculum at Ursinus is forced, but it is done in a way to help each student learn and grow.

I am sure that many freshmen would choose to skip CIE if given the choice, but they would miss many important lessons and their experience at Ursinus would be cheapened. I feel the same way about community service and think that it is time to incorporate it fully into the Ursinus experience.

Recently, the Ursinus Student Government and AFAC committee partnered to create a policy mandating that every club receiving funds complete one service project during the academic

year. Furthermore, this year's freshman orientation included service projects that introduced more than 200 new students to the outside community.

It is clear that Ursinus is making strides, but I challenge a few groups to take the lead to ensure we reach 100 percent participation.

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I think it is imperative for athletic teams, Greek organizations and the faculty to encourage students to perform service in not only their words, but in their actions.

It is imperative that athletic teams and Greek organizations push their members to bond off the field by using their collective skills to help others.

With that said, I am also challenging the faculty to incorporate more service projects into their curriculum. Another statistic that was discussed at my breakfast meeting was that only

nine percent of students perform service projects in the classroom.

I understand that not all classes have content suitable for service, but more can be done. If we could double that nine percent, we would be a good step closer to the ultimate goal.

It is time for the Ursinus community to pursue this initiative listed in the strategic plan to enhance our bond between the college and surrounding area and to strengthen the educational experience our students receive. We have an entire office in UCARE dedicated to strengthening this idea. The opportunity for advancement is ripe for the taking.

If we are not dedicated to growing our community, then it is bound to weaken as we enter it. The question remains: What are we waiting for?

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Olympics 2020: Tokyo wins bid over Istanbul

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Tokyo, Japan has recently been named the city to host the 2020 Summer Olympics.

According to "NBC World News," Tokyo is known for being one of the most technologically advanced cities in the world.

However, it has endured obstacles that challenge its superiority. The natural disasters of 2011, an earthquake and a tsunami, made Tokyo's economy fall as well as its morale.

However, the city has been bouncing back and the citizens are ready for a comeback. The International Olympic Committee established 60 votes for Tokyo and 36 votes for Istanbul, Turkey, the other city in the running.

The 1964 Summer Olympics

were held in Tokyo, as well as the 1998 Winter Olympics. Istanbul fought to hold the Olympic Games five times but has been beaten each time.

The most recent exclusion of Istanbul from the games had two major factors, according to CNN. The country of Turkey borders Syria, which raises concerns due to recent events. Also, about 36 athletes tested positive for drugs.

Tokyo had been chosen due to its consistency, aside from its downfalls in 2011. According to "NBC World News," the stature of the city, its passion for athletics, and openness to the extreme investments won over the International Olympic Committee.

According to "The Huffington Post," there will be a completely new stadium built for the 32nd

Olympiad. Zaha Hadid is the architect, and it will cost a hefty \$1 billion. The location is the same as in 1964, but it will be totally revamped.

The building will be able to hold 80,000 spectators, have seats that are able to move closer and further from the field, have a retractable roof, and have a completely modern design. This stadium will be finished in 2017.

However, according to CNN, the stadium will not be included in the expenses of the Olympic Games. The stadium will be ready to operate for the Rugby World Cup, so it will not be constructed for the Olympics only.

Aside from the new stadium, three buildings used in the prior games in Tokyo will be used. Yoyogi National Gymnasium was the home of swimming and

basketball but is now the home of handball. Tokyo Metropolitan Museum held water polo matches and gymnastics competitions but is now hosting table tennis. Judo will remain in its original venue, Nippon Budokan, according to "The Huffington Post."

There are 25 core sports appearing in 2020 in all, according to the International Olympic Committee. At the 125th IOC meeting in Buenos Aires, Argentina, there had been a vote to determine the inclusion of wrestling, baseball or squash.

Wrestling was voted to be reinstated into the 2020 Olympic Games. Wrestling had been taken out of the games in 2013, due to its lack of popularity and participation. This time around, wrestling won 49 votes over baseball with 24 and squash

with 22. Since the sport was cut from the Olympics, attempts have been made to prove it belongs in the worldwide competition, according to ESPN.

In all, the games should cost around \$8 billion, according to "The Guardian." However, an appraisal of \$30-\$40 billion was made in benefits, and 150,000 jobs are to be created and filled.

One of the major expenses included in the \$8 billion tab will be the Olympic Village. It is estimated to be the same price as the stadium: \$1 billion.

The country of Japan and the city of Tokyo have seen their fair share of adversity in the past years, but the hosting of an event such as the Olympics will offer an opportunity to bounce back.

Athletic communications promotes UC athletes

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The life of a typical college student can be very hectic. With classes, clubs, organizations or other day-to-day activities, it can be difficult to make it to athletic competitions. This typically leads to checking the Ursinus athletics Instagram, Twitter and Facebook pages. These social networking pages do not update themselves but are managed by one of the most important behind-the-scenes crews on campus.

The Athletic Communications Department is headed by James Wagner, a 2001 graduate of Susquehanna University. Wagner is currently in his seventh year on the Ursinus campus. The ACD is in charge of publicity for athletic

teams, statistics of all teams, the athletics website, public addressing, game programs, video highlights and interviews.

The ACD has many responsibilities to take care of, but Wagner is not alone when it comes to these tasks. There is currently a staff of four associate students.

"Ursinus is the only school in the Centennial Conference that does not have a full time person devoted as an assistant, but the school is working on that," Wagner said.

Dana Feigenbaum is one of the associate students. Feigenbaum, a junior, studies media and communications and is the junior associate of athletic communications. Feigenbaum announces certain sporting events. She is also in charge of completing student

bios for the athletic website. All Instagram, Twitter and Facebook accounts are administered by Feigenbaum.

Feigenbaum is also in charge of the "Get to Know" video segments. These are videos that feature athletes from every sport during their season to help promote Ursinus to prospective students. This coverage also extends to pre-season, mid-season and pre-playoff interviews with coaches.

The work of the ACD relies heavily on teamwork with all members of the athletics department. The ACD works with all coaches, athletic director Laura Moliken, associate athletic director Erin Stroble and assistant athletic directors Kevin Small and Kathy Wright.

"Working with the ACD has been amazing," Feigenbaum said. "In the past month, I have learned so much and hope to continue to learn more. When I graduate, I hope to become a broadcaster so this is giving me experience to be prepared for the future."

The ACD's most pressing task is promoting the athletics of Ursinus. Promoting various teams provides the campus with an idea of how certain teams are doing, how individuals are doing and helps draw prospective student athletes.

Peter Gallagher, head football coach at Ursinus, agreed that the ACD serves a major role in the athletics department.

"The department does a great job distributing information while promoting our program and stu-

dent-athletes," Gallagher said.

As an academically rigorous school, Ursinus student athletes are expected to do well on the field as well as off the field. It is the job of the ACD to make sure everyone knows about the accomplishments of the student athlete.

"Here at Ursinus you can have an all-conference football player who also holds a 3.6 GPA in Biology," Wagner said. "We show that students are not only here for athletics but also an education."

For Wagner, watching student athletes grow is something special.

"I enjoy seeing student athletes being successful...seeing athletes go on to become productive in society and carry on the mission of Ursinus," Wagner said.

Upcoming Ursinus College athletics schedule

9/21- Men's Cross Country in Cedar Crest Invitational @ Cedar Crest College at 11 a.m.

9/21 **Family Day-** Football versus Franklin & Marshall on Patterson Field at Noon

9/21 **Family Day-** Men's Soccer versus Dickinson on Patterson Field at 4 p.m.

9/21 **Family Day-** Women's Soccer versus Franklin & Marshall on Patterson Field at 6:30 p.m.

9/21- Women's Cross Country in Cedar Crest Invitational @ Cedar Crest College at 10 a.m.

9/17- Men's Soccer versus Immaculata on Patterson Field at 4 p.m.

9/21 **Family Day-** Field Hockey versus Franklin & Marshall at Noon.

9/21 **Family Day-** Volleyball versus Franklin & Marshall at 1 p.m.



Weekend coverage

Football, field hockey, men's soccer take home wins

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The Ursinus football team improved their record to 2-0 (1-0 in the conference) with a win against Gettysburg last Saturday. In their first away game of the season, the Bears put up 41 points against Gettysburg's 23. The win marks the first Bears victory over Gettysburg in three years.

The defense did an effective job containing the quarterback and keeping up with Gettysburg's fast paced offense. Sophomore defensive end Steve Ambs added two sacks to bring his sack total up to four in the last two games.

"We played well as a unit on defense with everyone playing their assignment and flying to the ball," Ambs said.

Senior Running back Jason Golderer shined on the offensive side of the ball, rushing for 185 yards and three touchdowns on 33 attempts. Establishing the run game allowed the Bears to have a high time of possession and helped them to set the pace of the game.

The Bears will take on Franklin & Marshall Saturday at noon on Patterson field, looking to extract revenge after losing to their conference rival last year.

Field Hockey

The field hockey team had an impressive win Saturday against Gettysburg. The Bears accumulated five goals, each scored by a different player. This 5-1 victory brings their record 2-1 (1-0 in conference) on the season.

Junior forward Maddie Craig was excited to see the team playing as a unit.

"It felt great to win our Centennial Conference opener," Craig said. "We played as one team. I thought everyone worked together and played off of each other well."

Defensively, the team was extremely effective, allowing only nine shots on goal. Goalie Danielle Despirito tallied eight saves.

The field hockey team will face Bryn Mawr at 4:30 p.m. Saturday on their home field.

Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team had a dominant win at home on Saturday, shutting out Rosemont College 3-0. The win put an end to a three-game losing skid and brings their record to 2-4. Three different players contributed with a goal, with Hans Seri, Ryan Butler and Aaron Nelson each scoring. Ryan Butler led the team in shots with nine.

Junior goalie Ryan Murphy played an impressive 90 minutes, covering the net very well. He finished the shutout with eight saves.

After a slow start to the season, the Bears are confident that this win will give them the spark they need to get a winning streak together. Senior forward Connor Andres said that all of their success starts on the practice field.

"We are putting in the hard work that is needed to be successful," Andres said. "If we keep it up we should have a great season ahead of us."

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team lost a hard-fought contest during their conference opener against Gettysburg last Saturday. The lone goal was let up in the 55th minute, and the Bears had no answer on offense. Both offenses had a hard time, with the Gettysburg goal being the only shot on goal recorded by either team.

Despite the loss, the team is still confident that they can compete with the best that the Centennial Conference has to offer.

The Bears boast a large freshmen class and several key returning players. Senior midfielder and captain Nicole Good said that the team has set their sights on the playoffs.

"Our team has a hard work ethic and strives for excellence



Photo by Heidi Jensen

Bears running back Jason Golderer (22) falls for extra yardage as teammate Safi Hasseeb tries to throw a block on Friday, Sept. 6, 2013. Ursinus improved to a 2-0 record after a win over Gettysburg this weekend.



Photo courtesy of Athletic Communications

Sophomore forward Devin Brakel fields a loose ball against Eastern Menonite University.

with every training session," Good said.

Volleyball

The Ursinus volleyball team competed in a tri-match at Gettysburg College on Saturday.

Unfortunately, they lost to both Hood College and Gettysburg. The first match was against Gettysburg and was lost in three straight sets.

The following match against Hood College was scored three sets to two, in favor of Hood.

Junior Lindsay Doyle is optimistic about the future of the team.

"We played really well against Gettysburg, one of the best teams in the conference," Doyle said. "Our goal is to make the playoffs this year."