

University Honors Program News

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Important Notices

Spring Classes

Be sure to register for an Honors class or two. The Spring class list is attached at the end of newsletter. Please note the honors contract option listed at the bottom of the page. In order to receive an honors contract, please send an email request to Tami Haaland at (thaaland@msubillings.edu).

Scholarship Deadlines

There will lots of scholarship deadlines coming up with the approaching of the New Year. Be sure to check the scholarship section of the newsletter and look for scholarships of your own.

Honors Survey

Omi, the graduate student who works with the Honors Program will be conducting a survey to better assess the needs of Honors students. She needs at least 12-15 people to participate. If you are interested in participating please contact Omi at omipreheim@gmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunities

This week's newsletter features three places to volunteer in the community. If you are planning on spending your Winter Break in Billings, consider spending a few hours volunteering this holiday season.

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MSUB Student Places 3rd in World

Curtis Walette, a business major at Montana State University Billings, recently placed among the top students in the world in a business simulation competition.

Walette is majoring in business management. He finished third among 297 competitors in the 2010 Fall

Foundation Business Simulation Challenge, an international business simulation competition sponsored by Capsim Management Simulations. Walette first used the Foundation Business Simulation in a class taught by Patricia Holman.

In November, he competed in the final rounds against five other student management teams. He then moved onto the finals, where he placed third. For more information about programs at the College of Business, call 657-2812 or go online to www.msubillings.edu/cob/.



Events On Campus

Finals

Monday, December 13th
through Thursday, December
16th. Good Luck!

Union Night

It's your Union Night!
Come by and enjoy. Come
by and take a study break.
The fun starts Monday,
December 13th at 7 pm in the
SUB.

Women's Basketball

After the men's game
stay to support the Lady
Yellowjackets on Saturday,
December 18th at 2 pm.

*"Ability without honor
is useless."*

*—Marcus Tullius
Cicero*

**Good Luck
With Finals
Have a
Great Break**

In the Area

A Christmas Carol

A Christmas Carol is the classic tale about the old miser, Ebenezer Scrooge, who refuses to take part in the Christmas spirit. Shows are Thursday, December 16th at 7:30 pm, Friday, December 17th and Saturday the 81st at 8 pm. Venture's Theatre is located at 2317 Montana Ave., Billings, MT

12 Nights of Zoo Lights

This is the largest drive through holiday lights in the area. ZooMontana is hosting a magical holiday drive-thru experience every weekend in December. The drives start Friday, December 3rd. The drive is open from 6 to 9 pm.

A Christmas Story

The well told story of Ralphie Parker who only wants a Red Ryder BB Gun for Christmas. The play will show Thursday, December 16th, Friday, December 17th at 7:30 pm Saturday, December 18th at 2 pm and 7:30 pm and Sunday, December 19th at 2 pm. All showings are at the Billings Studio Theatre located at 1500 Rimrock Road.

Volunteer at the Billings Food Bank

Help those in great need. Billings Food Bank is located at 2112 4th Avenue North. There new building is now up and operational. Billings Food Bank feeds hungry members of the community on a daily basis. They need volunteers to help collect food, distribute food, sort

through and make sure food is OK, raise funds for the food bank and help out in the office. If this sounds like something you'd like to do, call (406) 259-2856.



Volunteer at the Education Foundation

Do you like spending time with children. The Education Foundation is a good place to volunteer if you want to work with youth. The youth are our future and you can make a difference in their lives. Volunteers are needed to work at their Saturday Night Live and Reading Rocks events. Saturday Night Live is a carnival event and Reading Rocks

is a reading event where volunteers read to children. They are located at 415 North 30th Street. Billings, Montana 59101. For more information, call (406) 245-4133.



Volunteer at Billings Studio Theatre

Have you been looking for a place where you can volunteer your time? Billings Studio Theatre is always in need of good volunteers. Billings Studio Theatre is located at 1500 Rimrock Road. Volunteers are needed to work as ushers, at special events, in the office, etc. If you enjoy the theatre, this is a prime opportunity for you because you may be able to

watch rehearsals or the public performances as you work as an usher. Billings Studio Theatre serves as one of the main theatres in Billings offering several performances per month. This could be a great way to diversify your resume. If you are spending time in Billings over Winter Break this could be a great way to

fill you time. If you'd like to volunteer, call (406) 248-1141 for more information.



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**Providing Enriched
Educational Opportunities
For Students**



Established in 1997, the Honors Program at Montana State University Billings provides an enhanced and supportive learning environment responsive to the educational needs of exceptionally motivated undergraduate students. The program is open to all undergraduate students regardless of their major who are interested in opportunities for enriched learning, cultural explorations and fellowship. The program fosters an affordable small college experience with enhanced access to professors while benefiting from the University's size and diverse degree programs.

Scholarship Headquarters

Level 1

- 1) MSU Billings Scholarship.....February 1 deadline
One applications enters you for most University Scholarship
Some scholarships require extra material
[Application Information](#)
- 2) FAFSA.....March 1 deadline
Do not forget to fill for FAFSA.
The priority deadline for MSU B is March 1st
[Application Information](#)

Level 2

- 1) Drug & Alcohol Abuse Prevention Essay..... Deadlines vary
For residents of Colorado, Idaho, Nebraska, North Dakota, Montana, South Dakota, Washington, and Wyoming
[Application Information](#)
- 2) Montana Tuition Assistance Program Baker Grants..... Deadlines vary
Grant is to offset any Pell Grant dollars lost due to earned wages
[Application Information](#)
- 3) Rocky Mountain Coal Mining Institute February 1 deadline
For a student pursuing a career with coal in Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Texas, Utah, or Wyoming
[Application Information](#)

Level 3

- 1) National Society of Collegiate Scholars.....December 31 deadline
Five \$10,000 scholarships for volunteer involved students
[Application Information](#)
- 2) Institute for Human Studies.....December 31 deadline
For students planning a career in liberty-advancing research interests
[Application Information](#)
- 3) Truman Scholar.....February 1 deadline
For college students studying for careers in public service.
[Application Information](#)

Conferences

The International Honors Society In Psychology

The 22nd Greater New York Conference on Behavioral Research

November 7, 2010

[Conference Home Page](#)

National Collegiate Honors Council

Rhythms and Currents

Kansas City, Missouri

October 20-24, 2010

[Conference Home Page](#)



Western Regional Honors Council Conference

Constructing Places of Collaboration

Park City, Utah

March 31-April 2, 2011

[Conference Home Page](#)



Sigma Tau Delta (International English Honors Society)

Beyond Words

Pittsburgh, PA

March 23-26, 2011

[Conference Home Page](#)

National Conference on Undergraduate Research

Ithaca, New York

March 31-April 2, 2011

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COMT 160-003: Introduction to Intercultural Communication (3 credits)

Melinda Tilton, TR 8:40-10:10

Examines communicative encounters among people of different cultural, ethnic, and minority groups. Local, national, and global in scope, the course also analyzes identity, verbal and nonverbal communication, popular culture, intercultural relationships, and multicultural communication in applied settings. Practical guidelines for enhancing intercultural interactions will be offered while noting the layers of complexity in communicating across cultural boundaries.

HON 182 (3 credits) Renaissance to Early Modern Worlds.

Instructor TBA, TR 10:30-12:00

This course is a continuation of HON 181, Ancient to Medieval Worlds.

HON 292/492 (3 credits) The History of Mystery

Instructor Reno Rachel Schaffer, MWF 2:00-3:00

Introduces the characteristic elements and themes of mystery/detective fiction as a literary genre and traces its historical development from the 19th century to the present. Through written assignments and class discussions, examines short stories and novels that reflect a variety of subgenres, such as Golden Age, hard-boiled, feminist, regional, ethnic, and international.

HON 290 or 490 Internships (1-3 credits)

HON 291 or 491 Independent Study (1-3 credits)

Honors Contract: By special arrangement students may negotiate an Honors Contract with a professor. This contract will suffice to make a regular class fulfill an honors requirement through extra work as specified by the contract. **Requires Director's approval.**