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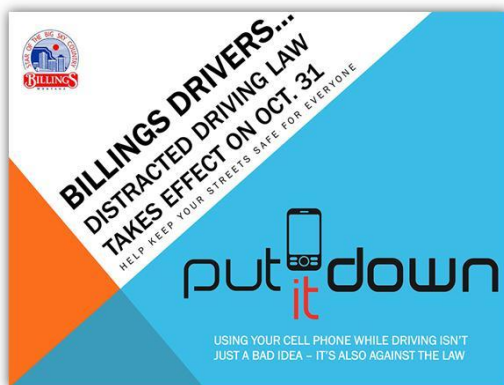
Important Notices

Spring Classes

Registration for Spring is open today. 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).

New Law

The Distracted Driving Law took effect on October 31st. This law bans the use of cell phones or electronic devices while driving.



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Patent to be Issued

Two Montana State University Billings scientists are making university history. On November 2nd the paperwork will be issued which grants the first patent ever to MSU Billings. The work could lead to new ways in treating fungal infections and controlling

yeast growth. The professors are extremely proud of the work undergraduate students have contributed to the research. Dr. David Bulter and Dr. Kurt Toenjes are the forces behind this astounding research. The research by Butler and

Toenjes, involves a small molecule (BH3I-1) and its ability to block the growth transition of *Candida albicans*. Used as an inhibitor, Dr. Butler and Dr. Toenjes have noted that using BH3I-1 would keep the fungi in check. Congratulations to Dr. Butler and Toenjes.

"Every success is built on the ability to do better than good enough."

Events On Campus

Union Night

It's your Union Night! Come by and watch the Baseball World Series on Monday, November 1st at 7 pm in the SUB.



Election Day

Tuesday, November 2nd is Election Day. There are no classes, but remember to go to the Metra and vote.

Women's Basketball

Head to the gym on Tuesday, November 2nd to see the Lady Yellowjackets take on Western at 7 pm.



Men's Soccer

Cheer on the Yellowjackets on Wednesday, November 3rd. The game starts at 3:30 pm. They also play on Saturday, November 6th at 3 pm. Both games are at the COT field.

Election Day

Support your fellow students by attending the Music Department's Student Recital on Wednesday, November 3rd at 3:10 pm. There is no charge to attend.



Projectile Comedy

Kick back with some laughs on Wednesday, November 3rd at 5:30 pm in the SUB.

Ask an Executive

Now is your chance to ask community employers your questions. Wednesday, November 3rd features members from the EBMS. Head to Library Room 100 between 11 am and 1 pm.



Women's Soccer

Head to the Soccer Field on Saturday, November 6th to see the Lady Yellowjacket take on Northwest Nazarene. The game starts at 3 pm.

Women's Volleyball

Stop by the Alterowitz Gym to see the ladies play starting at 7 pm on Thursday, November 4th. The ladies also play on Saturday, November 6th at 7 pm.

"It's simply a matter of doing what you do best and not worrying about what the other fellow is going to do."
—John R. Amos

In the Area

Dying City...

What happened to Craig? A Harvard graduate dies in Iraq. Peter and Kelly need to know the truth but aren't prepared for the devastating answers. "Dying City" raises obvious, important issues in anything but obvious ways." Showing Friday, Nov. 5th and Saturday, Nov. 6th at 8 pm and Sunday, Nov. 7th at 2 pm. Venture Theatre is located at 2317 Montana Ave.

Community Band

Sit back, relax, and enjoy the music of the Community Band. The music starts Sunday, November 7th at 3 pm.



Terpsichore Dance Company

The Terpsichore Dance Company will present two performances on Saturday, November 6, at 2 and 7 pm, at the historic Babcock Theatre in downtown Billings. The 11-member Billings based company will be led by Ricki Lu Feeley. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students ages 7 to 12, and free to those 6 and under.

Career Track Opportunity

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is looking to hire a student to participate in our "Student Career Experience Program" (SCEP) as a revenue Officer Intern in their Billings office. If you are accepted into the Student Career Experience Program you will: work full-time during the summer of 2011 and during school holidays, work at least 8 hours per week during the 2011-2012 school year (work schedule is flexible), and upon successful

completion of BOTH your degree program and the minimum work requirement of 640 hours, you may be converted or promoted to a career position as an IRS Revenue Officer. Highly qualified applicants will: be on track to complete a Bachelor degree program in the Spring 2012, be at least a third-year student, entering the Senior year by the fall of 2011, and have a minimum 2.5 GPA overall. The original cutoff date was October 31st,

but the final deadline is November 12th.

The IRS is filling this position solely from MSUB so if you missed the October 31st deadline contact the office ASAP. For more information contact the hiring manager for this SCEP: Scott Pryde by phone at 307-672-9734 ext. 26 or by email at

Roberts.s.pryde@irs.gov. Find out more about IRS jobs online: <http://jobs.irs.gov>. Check out the latest IRS job announcements: <http://jobs.irs.gov/USAJOBS>.



Native American Heritage Month

A series of presentations will highlight events in November commemorating Native American Heritage Month at Montana State University Billings. The events are designed to help raise awareness of the American Indians in the region, honor traditions that are important to the culture and open discussion on American Indian issues. On Wednesday, November 3rd from 3:30 to 5 pm Dr. Jeff Sanders will be giving a presentation on New

Mexico's Sun Dagger, and ancient astronomical observatory in Chaco Canyon. On Wednesday, November 10th at 11:40 am there will be a construction of a medicine wheel to honor veterans. The medicine wheel will be constructed south of the LA Building. The event will be followed by a showing of the film "Mother Normandy." Also on Wednesday, November 10th from 6:30 pm to 8 pm there will be an American Indian dance demonstration

and instruction by Della Big Hair. On Wednesday, November 17th from 6:30 pm to 8 pm there will be a discussion on American Indian issues from a federal perspective by Del Laverdure, assistant secretary of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The forum will be held in the SUB Lewis and Clark Room. For more information on any of these events, contact Reno Charette, director of American Indian Outreach at MSU Billings, at 657-2144.

The Washington Center

Nine out of ten entry-level hires today have completed at least one internship. Join them and enhance your chances of employment. The wide range of opportunities available through The Washington Center suits nearly every academic major, area of interest, or career goal. TWC's programs cater to students pursuing careers

in political science, business, advocacy, broadcast journalism, the arts, international affairs, criminal justice and many other areas. In Washington D.C., or abroad, TWC offers a unique opportunity to focus on your interests and create the platform from which to launch your career. Each of TWC's programs focuses on

a particular interest. Internship placements are not tied to a particular program, so all interns have access to the ones they're most interested in. The program you choose will shape the experience through special programming and other opportunities. For more information about the internship programs visit [TWC's Internship page](#).



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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) Keep checking back for more scholarships in this level.

Level 2

- 1) The Candy McDonnell Memorial Scholarship..... **November 2** deadline
To encourage, recognize, and superior exceptional surveying and mapping students.
Recipients will be selected based on academic record, applicant's statement, letters of recommendation, and professional activities.
[Application Information](#)
- 2) Gold Country Section & Region II Scholarships..... December 1 deadline
For students in occupational safety and health
Must be MT, ID, WY, CO, UT, NV, AZ, or NM resident
[Application Information](#)

Level 3

- 1) Churchill Scholarship.....November 9 deadline
To pursue engineering, mathematics, or sciences
14 awards for full tuition at Cambridge
[Application Information](#)
- 2) The National Physical Science Consortium.....November 30 deadline
This is a graduate fellowship that provides as \$20,000 annual stipend covering tuition, including one or two paid summer internships with a government agency, providing a mentor and the opportunity for a lasting relationship with the sponsor.
[Application Information](#)
- 3) 2010 College Essay Contest.....December 1 deadline
\$250-\$1,000
[Application Information](#)
- 4) Nota Bene.....December 3 deadline
Phi Theta Kappa's Annual Honors Anthology
Recognizes outstanding writing by awarding 2 scholarships
\$500-\$1,000
[Application Information](#)

For MSU Billings scholarships visit the [Financial Aid Home Page](#).

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

[Conference Home Page](#)

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY BILLINGS
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Class List Spring 2011

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.**