



**Oct. 12, 2018**

### **Today's Headlines**

#### **St. Charles Faculty – Upcoming Deadline for Mid-Term Grades.**

- The deadline to enter grades in canvas or your faculty portal will be October 15 at 5 p.m. for mid-term grades. IT will pull the grades from canvas on October 16.
- Special grades (N, AF, AH, BH, or I) need to be entered via your faculty portal by the October 15 deadline. [See attachment for instructions.](#)
- The published (W) withdrawal deadlines for the full-length semester is November 2.
- Please refer to the [flow-chart](#) regarding the difference between a grade of (N) never attend and (AF) attendance failure.
- Please contact Academic Services with any questions.

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#### **Volunteers Needed for December Commencement**

It's that time of year again. Academic Services is seeking staff members to volunteer to work at December Commencement. It is an opportunity to earn a \$100 stipend and cheer on our graduates on this special occasion! This does not include staff that already have assigned duties each year such as the Academic Services, Maintenance, Housekeeping, or PR. Please email Christine Hannar at [CHannar@lindenwood.edu](mailto:CHannar@lindenwood.edu) by **Friday, November 16, 2018** if you would like to volunteer. Please include your supervisor on the email to Christine if you are a non-exempt staff member. Please indicate your first two job choices along with the time of ceremony; you can sign up for both ceremonies if you choose. I will follow up with instructions regarding arrival times, responsibilities and dress attire.

Our ceremonies for this December will be held at the St. Charles Family Arena on Saturday, December 15 at 10 a.m. and Saturday, December 15 at 3 p.m.

- Five Positions for student check-in table – greeting students, giving them their name card and possible honors cords, directing them to the student line-up area
- 10 positions for 10 a.m. & 18 for 3 p.m. Positions for student line-up area – greeting students, reviewing name card with line-up information and directing the students to their specific area, assisting graduate students with hoods
- 15 flags – march into the arena with major flags at the beginning of the ceremony
- Four positions for programs – greet guests and hand out programs
- Two positions for VIP parking

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### **Nominations Needed for the Collegiate Leadership Competition**

Nominate a deserving student leader for the 2019 Collegiate Leadership Team! The Collegiate Leadership Competition team is comprised of student leaders who will meet weekly throughout the Spring semester to practice and develop their leadership skills through challenging and engaging activities. They will then travel at the end of March to compete in the Collegiate Leadership Competition in Kansas City against other universities from across the region. Our 2018 teams brought home awards for Overall Champions and Team Results Champions last year! Please send nominations to Rachael Heuermann at [rheuermann@lindenwood.edu](mailto:rheuermann@lindenwood.edu).

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### **School of Arts, Media and Communications Performances**

There are so many wonderful performances coming up from the School of Arts, Media, and Communications, mark your calendars and get your tickets today! All faculty and staff receive two FREE tickets to any event produced by the Theatre, Music, and Dance Programs with a valid university ID. Visit [LUBoxOffice.com](http://LUBoxOffice.com) for complete details or call the box office at 636-949-4433.

[All My Sons](#) | The Emerson Black Box Theater | October 12-13, 7:30 p.m.  
[Mary Poppins](#) | The Lindenwood Theater | November 1-3, 7:30 p.m.  
[The Fall Dance Concert](#) | The Lindenwood Theater | November 8-10, 7:30 p.m.  
[The Fall Music Series](#) | The Emerson Black Box Theater | November 12-18 |  
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### **Economic Education Center Celebrates Official Launch**



Lindenwood University celebrated the official launch of its [Economic Education Center \(EEC\)](#) on October 9. The EEC represents a growing partnership between the School of Education and the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise in the Plaster School of Business & Entrepreneurship. Attendees included Lindenwood administrators, faculty, staff,

and students; local educators; community partners, and other supporters.

According to Dr. Tawni Hunt Ferrarini, the Robert W. Plaster Professor of Economic Education, the EEC serves to help advance economic and financial literacy through professional development for K-16 educators, student programs, the distribution of educational resources, community outreach, fundraising, and scholarship. Dr. Ferrarini directs the Economic Education Center.

For more information, please contact the Economic Education Center at 636-949-4160, via email at [EEC@lindenwood.edu](mailto:EEC@lindenwood.edu) or visit online at [www.EconEd.Center](http://www.EconEd.Center).

*Pictured left to right:* Dr. Roger Ellis, dean of the Plaster School of Business & Entrepreneurship; Dr. Howard Wall, director of the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise; Dr. Tawni Hunt Ferrarini, director of the Economic Education Center; Anthony Sanders, financial representative with Northwestern Mutual, Lindenwood University alumnus, and financial education advocate; Dr. Anthony Scheffler, dean of the School of Education; and Dr. Michael Shonrock, president of the Lindenwood University System.

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### **Assessment Tip of the Week: “Speaking to Students about Assessment: Exercise Science’s Assessment Tour”**

Guest Contributor: Jessica Randolph, Assistant Dean, Health Sciences

Good assessment practice occurs when we set program benchmarks aligned with learning outcomes, collect data, and use the data to inform the decision-making process. Good assessment is happening all across campus and many program improvements have been made as a result of this process. [Read more](#)

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### **Assessment Champion Awards to Lindenwood Faculty**



Each year, the Assessment Committee at Lindenwood University, through a nomination process, recognizes its faculty and staff who have made a significant contribution toward promoting continuous improvement through assessment with the presentation of an “Assessment Champion Award.” On October

10, at the St. Charles faculty meeting, ten faculty members received one of these awards for their assessment efforts during the 2017-18 academic year.

The recipients were:

- Bob Steffus, School of Education
- James Hutson, School of Arts, Media, and Communications
- Meri Marsh, School of Humanities
- Tom Godar, School of Health Sciences
- Mira Ezvan, Plaster School of Business & Entrepreneurship
- Amanda Aldridge, School of Education
- Areerat Kichkha, School of Accelerated Degree Programs
- Sarah Patterson-Mills, School of Education
- Jessica Randolph, School of Health Sciences
- Jeremy Carnes, School of Humanities

In addition to a certificate of recognition, each recipient received a copy of an assessment book by George Kuh and associates, titled *Using Evidence of Student Learning to Improve Higher Education*. Recipients will also have their names permanently noted on the Assessment Website. Congratulations to all of these faculty members! Thank you for all you do!

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### **Tobacco-Free Policy**

This is a friendly reminder that Lindenwood University is a tobacco-free campus. As per the Employee Guidebook, pps. 40-41, Lindenwood University is committed to providing a healthy working and learning environment for the entire campus community. The purpose of this policy is to reduce harm from tobacco use and secondhand smoke, provide an environment that encourages individuals to be tobacco-free, reduce health insurance and health care costs, and promote a campus culture of wellness. Therefore, Lindenwood University establishes the following smoking policy for all facilities, campus areas and university owned property or vehicles where services are carried out or offered. All university students, employees, contractors, and visitors are subject to these regulations.

1. Tobacco includes but is not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco and any non-FDA approved nicotine delivery device.

2. Adherence to this policy is the responsibility of all members of the university community. It is expected that students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors and visitors to campus will comply with this policy. Members of the university community are to respectfully inform others about the policy to ensure compliance. Primary enforcement of this smoking policy will be the responsibility of those persons who head individual units, departments, buildings, student housing units, those who supervise personnel, Public Safety personnel, and other designees.

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### **Study Volunteers Needed**

[Healthy male participants between 18 and 50 years of age are needed](#) to complete a research study in the Exercise and Performance Nutrition Laboratory to study the absorption pattern of different amino acids. More information can be gathered from contacting Richie Stecker at [rstecker@lindenwood.edu](mailto:rstecker@lindenwood.edu).

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### **Cernik Publishes Two Articles**



Joseph Cernik, Professor of Political Science, recently published two articles. “Communist Infiltration and Donald Trump: The Movies Meet Reality” is available in [The Artifice](#), an online magazine. Submissions are reviewed and vetted by the magazine’s editors. Cernik first published with the magazine last summer and both of his pieces have received numerous readers’ comments.

Cernik’s second piece, “Watching TV News Coverage of Middle East Affairs: Sunni-Shia Differences Matter and a Public not Knowing this will affect how the United States Plans for any Future Involvement in that Region,” was published in [The Social Science Research Network](#) (SSRN). A previous piece Cernik published with SSRN, “Guns, Campus, and the Courts,” received national attention and was referred to in a Utah State Senate race.

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### **Homecoming Drivers Still Needed**



The Homecoming Committee is still in need of a couple drivers for the Homecoming Parade taking place on Saturday, Oct. 20, from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Please contact Nikki Cornwell at [ncornwell@lindenwood.edu](mailto:ncornwell@lindenwood.edu) if you are available to drive. Thank you!

**LIBRARY SERVICES FALL BREAK HOURS**

Saturday, October 13	9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 14	2:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Monday, October 15	7:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Tuesday, October 16	7:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.



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### Post an Item in The Digest

If you want to post an item in The Digest, send an email with the information, copy, and any images or attachments to [LUDigest@lindenwood.edu](mailto:LUDigest@lindenwood.edu). Submit your items **no later than Monday at noon** for the **Tuesday** edition and **Thursday at noon** for the **Friday** edition.

### Recent Editions

[The Digest archive](#)

[Belleville Digest archive](#)

### Events and Deadlines

- **Through October: Phishing Contest: Submit your phishy emails to [PhishingAlerts@lindenwood.edu](mailto:PhishingAlerts@lindenwood.edu).** Winner receives a Starbucks gift card
- **Through October: [Register for Intramural Leagues](#)**
- **Through Fall: [Academic Technology Workshops](#)**

- **Through Nov. 9:** “Jars of Clay” exhibit, Boyle Family Gallery, Reception Oct. 2 6-8 p.m.
- **Oct. 15:** [Deadline for assessment plans from all academic \(except School of ADP\), co-curricular, and administrative units](#)
- **Oct. 15:** Safe Zone Training, 10 a.m.-noon (Staff/Faculty Only), Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall
- **Oct. 16:** [Cybersecurity Awareness Training](#),, 1 p.m. LARC 309
- **Oct. 16:** Employee Trivia Night, 4-6 p.m., Hyland VIP Room. [Register here](#), contact [BBrown@lindenwood.edu](mailto:BBrown@lindenwood.edu) for details.
- **Oct. 17-20:** [Homecoming Celebration](#)
- **Oct. 17-26:** Health Screenings
- **Oct. 17:** [Entrepreneurial Thinking: The Game Changer](#), 7-8:15 p.m., Harmon Hall
- **Oct. 18:** [Business Ethics Panel, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Harmon Hall](#)
- **Oct. 18:** SSM Clinic, Student Health Center, 1-4 p.m., call 636-669-2350
- **Oct. 19:** Dissertation Defense- Claudette Denean Vaughn, Roemer 223, 9 a.m.
- **Oct. 22:** Safe Zone Training, 6-8 p.m, Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall
- **Oct. 23:** Safe Zone Training, 10 a.m.-noon, Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall
- **Oct. 24:** Safe Zone Training, 2-4 p.m., Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall
- **Oct. 24:** [Diversity Dialogue – Guns on College Campuses](#), 2:30 p.m., Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall
- **Oct. 26:** Dissertation Defense- M. David Duckworth, Roemer 310, 9 a.m.
- **Oct. 29-Nov. 9:** Open Enrollment
- **Oct. 30:** ['La Bamba' and the Politics of Race](#)” 4 p.m., Spellmann 4105
- **Oct. 30:** [Panel Presentation on Assessing Alumni Outcomes](#), 4 p.m., Harmon Hall 136
- **Oct. 31:** [Dark Carnival](#)
- **Nov. 1:** [Faculty Fellow application deadline](#)
- **Nov. 2-3:** [Kids Against Hunger food packing drive event](#)
- **Nov. 9:** Veterans Day Luncheon. For details, contact [mgove@lindenwood.edu](mailto:mgove@lindenwood.edu)
- **Nov. 15:** [Deadline for assessment plans, School of ADP](#)