

SHORT CUTS

CAMPUS CARSHARE PROGRAM LAUNCHES

Maryville University has partnered with Enterprise Rent-A-Car to provide the Enterprise CarShare program to students. The online, membership-based program allows students 24/7 access to designated vehicles parked on campus. Students may rent a vehicle at a low rate for hourly, daily, or overnight usage.

INNOVATION GRANT FUNDS APPY-HOURS

In an effort to enhance student learning, Mascheal Schappe, EdD, assistant professor of education, has begun hosting Appy-Hours, a collaborative endeavor designed to explore the use of iPads as a classroom resource.

“The iPad is a great tool to increase conversation in the classroom and collaboration between students,” she says. The project is funded by a grant through Maryville’s Finch Center for Teaching and Learning. The Innovation Incentive Grant gives Schappe the opportunity to meet monthly with colleagues in the School of Education and other programs to discuss best practices and applications for incorporating the iPad into the classroom.

NEW DEANS TAKE HELM IN JUNE

Two of Maryville's most innovative academic leaders are stepping into dean's roles. Cherie Fister, MFA, has been named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Melissa Griswold, PhD, will serve as dean of the John E. Simon School of Business. The appointments are effective June 1.

Fister has served as interim dean since June 2014. "Cherie's experience as a past program director, associate dean and interim dean clearly provides her with the experience and wisdom to lead the College as it thrives and grows," says Mary Ellen Finch, PhD, vice president for Academic Affairs.

Joining the Maryville faculty in 1995, Fister served as director of the new graphic design program she created. Under her leadership, the graphic and interactive design programs have received NASAD accreditation and gained national respect. She earned her bachelor's degree at Northeast Missouri State and her MFA at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

Griswold steps into her new leadership role following the retirement of John Lewington, PhD, interim dean.

She joined the faculty in 2012, tasked with launching the financial services major, a program unique to the St. Louis region.

"We are delighted to have a person as experienced and talented as Melissa on our faculty and now as our new dean," says Finch. "She is committed to Maryville's focus on innovation and academic rigor as we move into our new strategic plan."

Prior to joining Maryville, Griswold worked 14 years at Quincy University in Quincy, Ill., where she served as associate professor of finance and as dean of the School of Business. Griswold also served as a community college dean and administrator for the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service.

Griswold earned her doctorate in finance from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and her MBA and bachelor's degree in business finance from Western Illinois University.

Dan Donovan



Fister

Dan Donovan



Griswold

Poet Levin to Join Faculty as Writer-in-Residence



Levin

Award-winning poet Dana Levin has been appointed as Maryville University's first-ever Distinguished Writer-in-Residence beginning in Fall 2015. Levin's appointment coincides with academic program revisions in the humanities and English to reflect a stronger focus on creative writing.

Levin will teach two courses and provide writing tutorials for individual students working on major projects.

Most recently, Levin's poems have been chosen for inclusion in the *2015 Best American Poetry* series and *Boston Review's* Top Poems of 2014. A teacher of writing for over 20 years, Levin currently serves as co-chair and faculty of the Creative Writing and Literature department at Santa Fe University of Art and Design in Santa Fe, N.M. She is also on faculty for the MFA Program for Writers at Warren Wilson College in Asheville, N.C.

Global Scholars Focuses on Study Abroad

THE GLOBAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM, DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN MULTIPLE study abroad opportunities and rigorous academics, begins this summer.

The program underscores the value of global awareness, one of Maryville's core values. "By experiencing another culture you become more empathetic to other ways of living, which is one of the best educations a student can get," says Rebecca Dohrman, PhD, director of the program. "These experiences will help put our graduates ahead in the workforce."

Global Scholars, a three-year program, is open to incoming freshmen. Participants double major in International Studies and a discipline of their choosing in the social sciences or humanities. Students study abroad at Oxford University in the summer before their freshman year, and in the following two summers, they select two additional summer study-abroad programs suited to their academic interests.

LinkedIn Group Rebrands




FOR THE PAST DECADE, PROFESSIONALS HAVE INCREASINGLY FLOCKED to LinkedIn, a social networking site widely considered the personal branding platform. The Maryville University Alumni Association LinkedIn group is harnessing this networking power with the aim to create connections in the Maryville community. Recently rebranded as the Maryville University Career Network, the alumni group on LinkedIn involves participation by current students, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends of the University.

More than 10,000 people on LinkedIn identify Maryville University as their alma mater. This volume of alumni allows current students to easily search for common threads—specific industries and jobs, as well as geographic information.

“We want this to be an informal network for alumni to connect with fellow alumni and current students,” says Leigh Deusinger, director of career and professional development. “It’s a great way to help students develop self awareness, build their connections, practice their networking skills, and develop professionally. Our goal with this forum is to help further equip students with the professional know-how and expertise to pursue their chosen path and to get them thinking, “What can I do while I’m at Maryville and then beyond graduation to further my professional aspirations and goals?”

Faculty and staff are also encouraged to get involved with the group. Such participation helps students learn to use LinkedIn to its full potential in their career job search and networking process, Deusinger says.

“We hope Maryville University Career Network will become a robust forum for alumni to exchange career-related information, advice, ideas, and opportunities with each other and with students, while growing their professional networks,” says Liz Haynes, director of special programs. 



NURSING GRADUATE PROGRAMS RECOGNIZED AS 'BEST PROGRAMS'

Graduate nursing programs offered through Maryville's Catherine McAuley School of Nursing have been recognized as Best Programs by graduateprograms.com, a national online guide that evaluates input from current and recent graduates.



SAINTS EARN NCAA ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

The NCAA has recognized Maryville with the Division II Presidents' Award for Academic Excellence for the third consecutive year. The award demonstrates Maryville's profound commitment to the academic and athletic experience of student-athletes.



MARYVILLE NAMED 2015 BEST VALUE COLLEGE

For the fourth consecutive year, *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* named Maryville a Best Value College for providing outstanding academics at an affordable cost.



Gifts AND Grants

HELP MARYVILLE MAKE A DIFFERENCE



THE MONSANTO FUND has awarded Maryville a one-year, \$124,995 grant for a new program: Children using Robotics for Engineering, Science, Technology and Math (CREST-M). The funding allows Maryville educators to create and evaluate innovative math curriculum for 3rd and 4th graders in underserved schools, using LEGO WeDo robotics; and to provide hands-on professional development for their teachers. ■ ■ ■



The Young Scholars program has been awarded a grant of \$50,000 by the **DANA BROWN CHARITABLE TRUST, U.S. BANK, TRUSTEE**, to continue the program at two schools in the Ferguson-Florissant School District.



EMERSON has committed a total of \$260,000 to ensure the success of key programs at Maryville, including a four-year pledge to extend its current support of Maryville's Young Scholars program for high ability elementary school students in the Ferguson-Florissant School District. The commitment also provides funding for Maryville's Kids Rock Cancer music therapy program as well as sponsorship of the St. Louis Speakers Series.



A \$100,000 total commitment from **PNC** provides sponsorship of the St. Louis Speakers Series and continues funding for Maryville's role as the educational partner in the PNC Grow Up Great program—which helps prepare underserved children for success in school and life.



Faculty AND Staff

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR FIELDS

LAURA STEVENS, director of auxiliary operations, has been named to the National Association of College Stores (NACS) Board of Trustees.



OLAIDE SANGOSENI, DPT, MSc, PHD, assistant professor of physical therapy, co-authored an article for the Winter 2015 edition of *Home Health Section Quarterly Report*, published by the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA): "Keeping Your Eye on the CMS Bouncing Ball: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Proposed Condition of Participation Home Health Regulations, and Home Health Face to Face Final Rule 2015."



ROBYN OTTY, OTD, OTR/L, BCPR, assistant professor of occupational therapy, presented her poster, "Low Stakes for a High Stakes Research Methods course: Creating a Safe Environment to Learn Complex Material," during the 2015 Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy at Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, Va.



"Planets, Pollinators and People: A Love Story," was the topic of a TEDxGatewayArch talk presented in February by **KYRA KRAKOS, PhD**, assistant professor of biology.



CHARLES J. GULAS, PhD, dean of the College of Health Professions, co-presented a talk with Scott Johnson, vice president and CFO of St. Luke's Hospital, on the "Role of Healthcare and Career Opportunities in Economic Development," at the 2015 Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Summit.



REBECCA DOHRMAN, PhD, director of the undergraduate communication program and assistant professor of communication, has been elected to serve on the St. Louis Social Media Club Board of Directors.



This spring, **SCOTT ANGUS, MFA**, assistant professor of art, served as the mission photographer for Mending Faces, a nonprofit organization that performs free cleft palate and lip surgeries in the Philippines. His trip was funded through a professional development grant from Maryville University. He has volunteered with the organization for three years.



GERALYN FRANSDEN, EdD, RN, professor of nursing, co-authored the nursing textbook, *Kozier & Erb's Fundamentals of Nursing Concepts, Process, and Practice* (tenth edition, Prentice Hall).

ABE GOOTZEIT, assistant professor of actuarial science, published an article in *The Actuary* (October/November 2014) titled, "From Industry to Academia: Teaching as a Second Career."

ALLYSON CRUST, '09, assistant director of student involvement, has been awarded the C. Shaw Smith New Professional Award from the National Association for Campus Activities (NACA). The award is presented to a new professional that has made significant contribution to campus life, displays genuine regard for students and is viewed by colleagues as an educator.



PAULA BOHR, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA, director of the occupational therapy program and associate professor of occupational therapy, has been inducted into the Leaders and Legacies Society of the American Occupational



Therapy Foundation (AOTA).




PEGGY LAUER, director of the Center for Sustainability, has been invited to serve on the newly established St. Louis Earth Day Advisory Council.

SUSAN M. BARTEL, EdD, associate professor of higher education leadership, is newly appointed to serve on the Editorial Review Board for the *Journal of Leadership Educators*.



TAPINGO DINING APP DEBUTS

Maryville is the first university in the Midwest to implement Tapingo, a mobile app that integrates student accounts with dining services. Available for download on all smartphones, the free, user-friendly app helps speed up the ordering process for busy students, faculty, and staff members. After an order is prepared, the user receives a text message with an order code, alerting them their food is ready for pickup. The app allows people to pay in advance using Saints Dollars, Maryville OneCard, or a personal credit card. 



NEW PARTNERSHIPS SPARK ENTREPRENEURIAL DREAMS

Maryville University recently announced significant partnerships in the areas of entrepreneurship and experiential learning through spark!, T-REX, and ITEN



spark!, an innovative collaboration between Maryville University and Parkway School District, is an ideas incubator housed in a newly created, 7,000 square-foot Google-themed facility at Chesterfield Mall in Chesterfield, Mo. High school students participating in the spark! program are allotted release time from their classes to work on developing their invention or business idea. Students pursue a wide range of projects from fashion design to smartphone app development, and each step of the way they receive targeted advice from Maryville faculty and leading St. Louis entrepreneurs to help make their ideas a reality.



Maryville University is also a new partner in the T-REX co-working space and technology incubator in downtown St. Louis. T-REX is home to more than 80 startups and entrepreneurial activities—including two companies owned by Maryville graduates: Matt Carpenter, '12, of Collection of Elements, and Dan Mirth, '10, of Artifox. Its mission is to provide startup entrepreneurs with low cost, flexible space while serving the region with quality programming and inspiring community. Maryville provides workshops, formal education, and certification training to T-REX partners.



An exciting new internship program is the result of a partnership between Maryville University and T-REX startup, ITEN. The program will span ITEN's 250-business network, allowing students to gain practical experience at a wide range of innovative companies. ITEN works to connect experienced entrepreneurs with newer business owners to help them develop their ventures through networking, access to funding, and talent connections. 

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR FIELDS

An essay by **JOHN MARINO, PhD**, associate professor of English,



was published in *Tolkien in the New Century: Essays in Honor of Tom Shippey* (McFarland, 2014).

NINA A. ZIMMERMANN, MSN, APRN, ANP-BC, AE-C, clinical assistant professor of nursing and coordinator of the nurse practitioner programs for the Catherine McAuley School of Nursing, has been named as faculty and will present at the 2015 American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology Conference (AAAAI).

TURAN MULLINS, assistant director of multicultural programs, has been nominated to participate in the 2014-15 Initiative Fellows Program of the St. Louis Business Diversity Initiative, St. Louis Regional Chamber.



In elections last spring, **ALICE JENSEN, MSN, RN**, (below left) coordinator of the BSN-completion program, was elected to her first term on the Wright City School Board, and **KEITH KINDER, EdD**, (below right) assistant professor of educational leadership, was re-elected to a second term on the Rockwood School District Board of Education.



KAREN PARKER DAVIS, MA, OTR/L, assistant professor of occupational therapy, was awarded the Roster of Fellows Award at the American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference held last June. The Roster of Fellows recognition is granted to occupational therapists who make a significant contribution to the profession, and to the continuing education and professional development of members of the Association.



DUSTIN LOEFFLER, JD, '02, assistant professor of cybersecurity, has been elected to serve as the founding chair of the Cyber Security Special Interest Group within the ITEN community. The group will advise, assist, and mentor ITEN entrepreneurs on issues such as credit card security and personally identifiable information.

ALLYSON CRUST, '09, assistant director of student involvement, published an article on inspiring creativity ("cre-B-i-v-i-t!"), in the September 2014 issue of *Campus Activities Programming*, the magazine of the National Association for Campus Activities.

MICHAEL KIENER, PhD, (top left) director of the rehabilitation counseling program and associate professor of rehabilitation counseling, and **PETER GREEN, PhD**, (bottom left) assistant dean of social sciences, director of the psychology program and associate professor of psychology, recently published research ("Using the Comfortability in the Classroom Scale to Enhance Positive Classroom Learning Environments") in *Insight: A Journal of Scholarly Teaching* (Vol. 9, 2014).



DAVIS BROWN, PhD, JD, director of the legal studies program and assistant professor of political science, has published a new book, *The Just War Tradition: Applying Old Ethics to New Problems*. (Routledge, 2014)

KEVIN CARROLL, head men's basketball coach, was a featured speaker at the inaugural St. Louis Coaches vs. Cancer Coaches Clinic recently presented by Edward Jones.



LINDA SCHULTZ, PhD, CRRN-A, assistant professor of nursing, has written several patient education brochures for the Christopher and Dana Reeve Paralysis Foundation, one of which has been adopted for distribution by The Sepsis Alliance.

MARCUS MANNING, director of athletics, was featured in an article in the *St. Louis American* ("Marcus Manning a leader, on and off the field," June 30, 2014).

BOB CUNNINGHAM, PhD, OT/L, ATP, associate professor of occupational therapy, published a continuing education article, "Rethinking Occupational Therapy's Role with Assistive Technology," in *OT Practice* (June 30, 2014.)



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DR. DONALD M. SUGGS SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCED

The Dr. Donald M. Suggs Scholarship for incoming freshmen will be awarded for the first time this fall. The scholarship serves undergraduate, academically strong students from groups traditionally underrepresented in higher education.

Valued at more than \$143,000 over four years, the scholarship covers 100 percent of tuition and all room and board expenses. It is renewable over four years. The scholarship honors the continuing legacy of Dr. Donald M. Suggs, retired oral surgeon, publisher of *The*

St. Louis American and longtime philanthropist and community leader.

MARYVILLE READS: FAHRENHEIT 451

The 2015-2016 Maryville Reads book selection is



the classic, *Fahrenheit 451*, by Ray Bradbury. Maryville

Reads is a collaborative effort between the University

Library, the Office of Multicultural Programs and Student Success. Events and curriculum planned throughout the year will engage the Maryville

community in discussion on themes found in the book.

As part of the University's new Digital World program, all freshmen and faculty will receive a downloaded iBook version of the novel to be used with the iPad.

RACING TOWARD THE GOAL

Junior Samantha Hartnett recently competed in her first triathlons, but her goal is to complete an Ironman

BY ALEXANDRA GRESICK

When she raced in not one, but two, triathlons this past summer, Samantha Hartnett, a junior biology and pre-med student and Saints cross country and track athlete, took a major step toward a goal she first set as a freshman in high school: compete in an Ironman.

A triathlon is a multi-sport contest consisting of three different events, usually swimming, cycling, and long-distance running. Inspired by her high school track coach, Hartnett set her sights on competing someday in an Ironman, the longest-distance version of triathlon competition.

Hartnett's interest in the competitions grew from her experience overcoming a stress fracture injury in high school. Determined to stay fit while recovering, she began swimming laps at a local gym to build endurance and discovered a love for the sport. Her track coach, who had competed in an Ironman, inspired Hartnett to stay motivated—and to set her own sights on becoming an Ironman competitor.

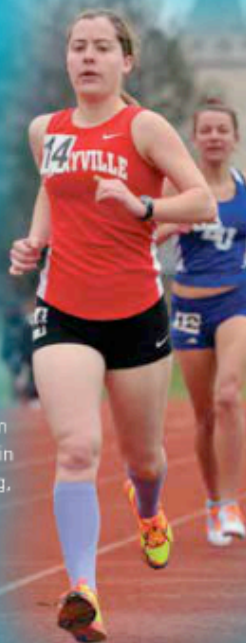
Arriving at Maryville University as a student-athlete, Hartnett was still battling injuries of one kind or another. With limited access to a pool, she turned to stationary biking. "I found myself still needing to cross train, so I decided a road bike would be a good investment," she says.

This summer, Hartnett concluded that her cross training had prepared her well enough to compete in her first triathlons. In July, she finished 143rd overall out of 392 competitors in the Big Shark New Town Triathlon and 38th overall among 301 competitors in the Tour de Kirkwood.

"Competing really motivates you to want to do your best," says Hartnett. "It's a stress reliever. You really need a hobby that takes you away from the stresses of school sometimes."

But running isn't just a hobby for Hartnett. She trains regularly as a member of both the women's cross country and track and field teams, and she was named the Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) Freshman of the Year in 2012.

"I decided I wanted to be an 'Ironman' and the first step towards that is to start with short triathlon races and work your way up," she says. "I hope to compete in a half Ironman soon, which would be the next great leap in this journey." 🇺🇸



WHATEVER MAKES YOU APP-Y!

SURVEY BY JULIE BERGFELD



What? Flickr

Why? I take a lot of photographs. I like to look at them and those of the people I follow on the app. I get feedback on my images. Flickr makes photography a social event.

Karen Fletcher
Assistant Professor, Information Systems



What? Triplt

Why? It's an amazing app to hold all travel arrangements in one place. When I purchase any travel arrangement, the app gets the information directly from my email and adds it to my app. It keeps me organized.

Kirstin Kahaloa
Director of International Admissions



What? WolframAlpha

Why? It's an easily searchable database of facts and an equation solver. I look up numbers, trivia, or solve polynomials when I am too lazy or time constrained to do it myself. WolframAlpha is like Siri on steroids.

Jason Telford, PhD
Associate Professor, Chemistry

We asked Maryville University faculty and staff, "What is your go-to app for fun or work?" Their responses provide a wide range of interesting apps to explore!



What? OnSong

Why? It is an extraordinary app that allows musicians to organize music for performance.

Cynthia Briggs, PsyD, MT-BC
Director, Music Therapy Program



What? Twitter

Why? I love Twitter. The app allows me to get caught up on what's going on in the Twitter world, especially during sporting events or big news events. It's quick, easy, informative, and engaging.

Brian Gardner
Director of Student Involvement



What? Evernote

Why? It's a very efficient way to organize my day. It syncs to my desktop, phone, and iPad. Great for notes, reminders, and to-do lists.

Marcus Manning
Director of Athletics



What? Zite

Why? Zite is a free app that offers a wealth of topics. I like Zite because of the intellectual tone and factual information it gives the user. It is fun, easy, and highly informative.

Gerriann Brandt
Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice and Criminology



What? Omnifocus

Why? Omnifocus is great for business and juggling complex projects. I use it for project management. It's organization on steroids.

Donna Kay, PhD
Associate Professor, Accounting



What? Weather Channel

Why? I look at it every morning when I get up. It tells me what kind of day I can expect outside, and how to dress and prepare to drive. It makes me happy or unhappy!

Mary Ellen Finch, PhD
Vice President for Academic Affairs



What? WhatsApp

Why? It allows me to text with my international friends and colleagues around the world for free.

Leilani Carver, PhD
Director, Communication Graduate Program



What? Shutterfly

Why? I use it to organize photos and make photo books. Shutterfly has a new app called 'This Life' that can sync to your phone to automatically upload those photos.

Alice Jensen, RN, MSN
Professor of Nursing



What? Relax Melodies

Why? It's great for traveling in noisy cities. It produces white noise that blocks out city traffic. It also generates a variety of relaxing sounds.

Karen Tabak, PhD
Professor, Accounting and Management

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