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TODAY	TOMORROW	THURSDAY
6:00 El cafecito: Día de Muertos	1:00 Benefits Open Enrollment Information Session	10:00 Benefits Open Enrollment Information Session
8:30 International Folk Dancing	5:00 Information Session: Fulbright U.S. Student Program	11:00 Getting Back on Track: A Crash Course in Study Skills and Time Management
	6:00 Benefits Open Enrollment Information Session	12:10 Bergren Forum - D. Chase Angier

Open Enrollment for Non-Statutory Medical/Dental and Univ. Wide Benefits

The open enrollment for changes to the Non-Statutory (Private side) 2018 Medical and Dental Plans as well as Vision, Life, Accident and Short Term Disability Programs for all Alfred University employees will commence on October 30, 2017 and end on November 17, 2017. The Human Resources Office was able to negotiate a zero percent increase for all coverages for the 2018 year without any plan changes. The Statutory benefit open enrollment dates have not been announced by NYSHIP but we anticipate that we will know shortly and we will announce those dates as soon as we have them.

This year it will be necessary for all employees to return a benefit election form to the HR office. The brochures with the form will be available soon. Meetings will be scheduled to inform employees about changes to the Short Term Disability program and the new NY State Paid Family Leave that will start January 1. Watch Alfred today for times and locations.

Submitted by: Mark Guinan

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You Must Officially APPLY to Graduate

Seniors: I wish to remind you that the deadline to apply to graduate is 60 days prior to graduation.

The next conferral of degrees (to be awarded) is December 31st.

Whether a December or May graduate, I would advise that you:

- 1) Run a Degree Evaluation in Banner Web. This will guide you in determining if you have met degree requirements.
- 2) Work with your advisor to review the degree evaluation and graduation requirements for your degree/program.
- 3) Apply to graduate, as soon as possible.

College policy requires that you must complete and submit an Application to Graduate in order to actually graduate. You can obtain a form online or stop into the Student Service Center in Seidlin Hall.

Registrar's office

Link: [Graduation Application](#)

Submitted by: Tammy Jursza Williams

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2018-19 Tuition Exchange Application Deadline is November 7, 2017.

Faculty and Staff - the Tuition Exchange Export Application deadline is November 7, 2017. If your child is planning to begin college (or transfer to another college) next year, 2018-19, you may wish to explore the schools participating in the Tuition Exchange (TE) Program. RENEWAL TE Export applications are also subject to the deadline of November 7, 2017.

Please read the attached TE Information Memo for application procedures and details on the program. Two application forms are required; specifically, the AU TE Export Application and the AU Human Resource (HR) TR/TE form (links and attachments, herewith).

Link: [AU HR TR/TE Application](#)

Attachment: [TE Information Memo for Campus Community](#)

Attachment: [AU 2018-19 TE Export Application](#)

Submitted by: Catherine Schnurle

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Open Enrollment Information Meetings Scheduled

Open Enrollment is the yearly period when employees can enroll in AU's health insurance plan, make changes to their current health insurance enrollments, or to drop health insurance coverage if no longer necessary. After the Open Enrollment period is done you can no longer make changes to your health care plan until the next year's open enrollment. The only way you are able to make changes to your health insurance during the year is if you have a qualifying life event.

Open Enrollment Sessions presented by Human Resources
(All sessions are located in the Powell Campus Center)
Wednesday, November 1, 2017- 1:00pm-2:00pm (Nevins Theatre)
Wednesday, November 1, 2017- 6:00pm-7:00pm (Kenyon/Allen)
Thursday, November 2, 2017- 10:00am-11:00am (Nevins Theatre)
Monday, November 6, 2017- 2:00pm-3:00pm (Nevins Theatre)
Tuesday, November 7, 2017- 9:00am-10:00am (Nevins Theatre)
Tuesday, November 7, 2017- 6:00pm-7:00pm (Nevins Theatre)

Spouses that are covered by AU insurance plans are welcome to attend these sessions as well.

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Submitted by: Kayleigh Misner

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Nike & Under Armour SALE! Don't Miss It!

All Nike and Under Armour 25%OFF through Thursday 10/2/17! Don't miss this SALE! Great time to purchase for the holidays!

Link: alfred.bncollege.com

Submitted by: Marcy Bradley

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SuperHero Halloween Bonaza @ AU Bookstore TODAY!

Stop into the AU Bookstore 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for Super Power Sticks (Ice Pops) or Radioactive (not really) Jelly Beans to celebrate Halloween AND College Con Super Heroes and villains! Come trick

or Treating to get YOUR Power! 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., AU Bookstore. Take a look at our Super Hero, villain, and Manga books along with our graphic novels. ALL are Buy 2, Get 1 FREE! Sign up for give-a-ways!

Submitted by: Marcy Bradley

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"Safe Zone' Training for Faculty and Staff

"The Gay Alliance's SafeZone program was created to develop, enhance and maintain environments in workplaces, schools and other social settings that are culturally competent and supportive to LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer) individuals, as well as straight, cisgender people who care about diversity, equality and inclusion."

Upcoming Trainings for Faculty and Staff all will be held in the Kenyon/Allen Room in the Powell Campus Center:

Wednesday, September 13th from 1:00-4:00pm

Tuesday, October 17th from 1:00 - 4:00pm

Thursday, November 16th from 9:00am - 12:00pm

Please contact Eliza Ordway ordway@alfred.edu to register for any of these sessions.

Submitted by: Susan Goetschius

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Alfred Ceramic Art Museum Exhibitions

hereafter: Kelcy Chase Folsom; 2015 -2018
Robert Chapman Turner Teaching Fellow
Holding the Line: Ceramic Sculpture Stanley Rosen
Minyao: Art of the Everyday
a Selection of Chinese Folk Pottery

October 19, 2017 - January 1, 2018

Opening Reception: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Thursday, October 19

Alfred Ceramic Art Museum

Cost: free

Sponsored by: Alfred Ceramic Art Museum

Three new exhibitions are opening simultaneously on October 19, 2017.

Holding the Line, ceramic sculptor Stanley Rosen's (MFA Alfred '56) retrospective is revelatory. Rosen has long been a quiet visionary. His little known work from the late 1950's, 1960's and 70's will astonish.

Concurrent with the Rosen exhibition the Museum is celebrating the break out career of Kelsey Chase Folsom. His thoughtful, poetic and often challenging work will be on view in the exhibition hereafter. The Museum will also feature Minyao (peoples' pottery): The Art of the Everyday. Supported by a grant from the Asian Cultural Council-Rockefeller Foundation, the collection of work on view is the result of a concerted effort to honor and preserve a powerful, disappearing ceramic language of the Chinese people.

Museum hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Thursday; 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Kelcy Chase Folsom Gallery Talk

5:00 p.m., Friday, November 3

Alfred Ceramic Art Museum

Cost: free

Sponsored by: Alfred Ceramic Art Museum

2015-2018 Robert Chapman Turner Teaching Fellow Kelcy Chase Folsom will give a gallery talk on his exhibition hereafter

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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STUDY ABROAD! Global Perspectives: Paris 2018

Have you always wanted to see Paris in the springtime? This is your chance! Global Perspectives: Paris (FREN 210/GBST 210/ARTH 210) will be offered again in Spring 2018. Global Perspectives: Paris is a 2-credit B-block course on the history, culture, and art of Paris with a required two-week trip to France in May. No prior knowledge of French required. Want more information? Visit the link below for further details and to sign up for updates. You can also contact Dr. Cecilia Beach (fbeach@alfred.edu) or Dr. Hope Childers (childers@alfred.edu) with further questions.

Link: [Info for Global Perspectives: Paris](#)

Submitted by: Gina Siuda

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HR Tip of the Month

Did you know that as an employee of Alfred University you may qualify for Public Service Loan Forgiveness on your federal direct student loans?

Qualifying Factors:

- *Must work at least 30 hours a week
- *Your federal loans have to be Direct Loans to qualify
- *Your loans must be paid under an income based repayment plan
- *Have to make 120 on-time qualifying payments then the rest of your loans are forgiven
- *Complete and submit the Employment Certification for Public Service Loan Forgiveness form yearly to your loan servicer to certify your employment

Human Resources can certify your employment and verify employment dates. You will fill out the first page of the attached document, HR will fill out the second page, and the remaining pages are for your

reference.

This website will give you more information regarding Public Service Loan Forgiveness
<https://studentaid.ed.gov...>

Feel free contact Kayleigh Misner in HR with any questions at 607-871-2276 or by email
misner@alfred.edu

Attachment: [PSLF Form](#)

Submitted by: Kayleigh Misner

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Exhibit at the Cohen Gallery: Residue

Residue: Caroline Hayes Charuk, Terry James Conrad, Ron Lambert, and SV Randall exhibit at the Cohen Gallery

Nov 3- Dec 8, Opening Reception 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Friday, November 3

Cohen Gallery

Cost: free

The Cohen Gallery presents the work of Caroline Hayes Charuk, Terry James Conrad, Ron Lambert, and SV Randall in "Residue," opening November 3, 6-9pm.

As humans we leave a trail behind us- a record of our personal histories. Some of these marks are egregious like the oil spills in the oceans, others are poetic like the subtly scuffed paint surrounding a well-used door knob. The artists in this exhibition are using residue as a tool for making their art. By making objects to create stains, mimic stains, or employ stains for creative reflection, these four artists reflect how residue can create a metaphor for life's experience.

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El cafecito: Día de Muertos

Please join AU's Spanish Culture & Conversation Club, El cafecito, as we celebrate Día de Muertos or Day of the Dead, a time of remembrance to honor deceased loved ones in a loving, joyful way. Gather to practice your Spanish speaking skills in a relaxed, friendly atmosphere.

Tuesday, October 31

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

AU Language House

12 Park Street (across from the Saxon Inn)

Beginner to Advanced Spanish speakers, everyone is Welcome!

Submitted by: Michele Gaffney

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"Residue" opening at Cohen Gallery, Nov 3, 6-9pm

November 3- December 8, 2017
Opening reception 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., November 3

The Cohen Gallery presents the work of Caroline Hayes Charuk (BFA '08), Terry James Conrad (BFA '03), Ron Lambert (MFA '04), and SV Randall (BFA '10) in "Residue."

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Learn more about the artists' work here:

[www.carolinehayescharuk.c...](http://www.carolinehayescharuk.com)

[http://www.terryjamesconr...](http://www.terryjamesconrad.com)

[http://www.ronlambertart....](http://www.ronlambertart.com)

[http://www.stevenrandalls...](http://www.stevenrandalls.com)

[https://art.alfred.edu/fa...](https://art.alfred.edu/faculty)

Submitted by: Cindy DeFelice

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Foreign Language Placement Exam

Foreign Language Placement Exam
Wednesday, November 1
Seidlin Hall 114
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Exams are given in French, German and Spanish.

Who needs to take the Placement Exam?

- * Students who have taken more than two years of a language in high school and who intend to take the same language at AU must take the exam.
- * Students who are bilingual or native speakers or who have spoken the language at home.
- * Students do NOT need to take the exam if they did not study a language previously or if they are planning to take a different language in college.
- * Students who wish to demonstrate proficiency in another language should contact Dr. Sandra Singer about procedures.

Registration upon arrival.

Please remember to bring your student ID and a #2 pencil.

Submitted by: Michele Gaffney

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Legend of Silk: Concert of Chinese Music and Dance

The AU Chorus and Chamber Singers will be joined by professional Chinese musicians and dancers for a concert of Chinese Music at 7:30 p.m., Friday, November 3 in Miller theater.

The evening will feature traditional Chinese music and dance and will feature the Chinese Pipa (lute) Dizi (flute) and Guzheng. Musicians will be joined by the AU Tai Chi group, dancers from Wuhan, China and students in the Guzheng Ensemble and Chinese Language classes.

The concert is free and begins with the traditional Dragon Dance at 7:30 p.m., Friday, November 3 in

Miller Theater.

Submitted by: Luanne Crosby

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Bergren Forum - D. Chase Angier

The Bergren Forum sponsored by the Division of Human Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Provost Office will be meeting at 12:10 p.m., Thursday, November 2 in the Nevins Theatre, Powell Campus Center.

Bring a brown bag lunch, coffee and tea will be provided.

Speaker: D. Chase Angier
Topic: "Immersed in Blue: Iceland"

Through her embodied investigation of Iceland's landscapes, art, and swimming pools, Angier explored the dialogue between internal and external landscapes. During this presentation, she will share her discoveries, choreographic processes, and renewed understanding of the transformative power of art and landscapes.

Submitted by: Marilyn Saxton

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Campus Climate Survey on Sexual Assault and Sexual Misconduct

From October 30th until November 10th, every Alfred University student will be given the opportunity to participate in this year's Campus Climate Survey on Sexual Assault and Sexual Misconduct. You should have received an email with the link to the survey, if not please notify the Dean of Students office. The primary goal of the survey is to provide our community with information to inform policies to prevent and respond to sexual assault and misconduct. The survey was designed to assess the incidence, prevalence and characteristics of incidents of sexual assault and misconduct. It also assesses the overall climate of the campus with respect to perceptions of risk, knowledge of resources available to victims and perceived reactions to an incident of sexual assault or misconduct. We hope everyone will take 15 minutes and provide your feedback.

Submitted by: Norm Pollard

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Voice Your Choice for the Community Kitchen Space!

Be an integral part of naming the new Community Kitchen location.
Cast your vote for your favorite name or make a suggestion.
We want to hear from you!!!

Link: [Community Kitchen Vote](#)

Submitted by: Marie Williams

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Topic Night: Serial Killers

The Psychology Club is hosting a Topic Night on Serial Killers with a presentation by Dr. Lowry. Dr. Lowry will discuss infamous serial killers in order to highlight the difference between mass, spree, and serial killers, the mythology of serial killers, as well as a brief discussion of the sociology and psychology of serial killing.

She will also be available to discuss her experience running and working in a mental health program within a correctional facility.

The Topic Night is from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Thursday, November 2 in Nevins Theater. There will be pizza, snacks, and refreshments!

Attachment: ["Topic Night: Serial Killers" Event Poster](#)

Submitted by: Savannah Markajani

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Art History Club Trip to First Friday Rochester

5:00 p.m., Friday, November 3

Bus pick-up at Harder parking lot; Travel to galleries and museums in Rochester, NY

Cost: Free

Sponsored by: Art History Club

The Art History Club is sponsoring a trip to First Friday in Rochester on Nov. 3. First Friday is a citywide gallery night, and the bus will make stops to a variety of gallery and museum events. We will leave from the Harder parking lot at 5pm and return by 11pm. Free to attend but bring money for food. Open to all AU students. Seats are limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Email arth@alfred.edu to request a space.

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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Movember is Coming!

Movember occurs during the month of November and is a campaign to raise awareness about men's health issues such as men's mental health.

The Movember movement began in 2003 in Australia, where "Mo" is slang for "moustache." Forgoing the typical ribbon associated with awareness campaigns, Movember's "ribbon" is the mustache. You may be wondering why anyone would want the mustache to make a comeback, but it is the exact nature of the mustache that generates conversation and can further the awareness around the issue of men's mental health.

There are lots of opportunities to get involved in raising awareness for men's mental health this Movember such as:

- Participating in a November 1st "shave down" to prepare for growing your glorious mustache throughout the month of November. You can challenge others to grow their "mo" as well or create teams.
- Come to the Movember table at Powell on November 1 from 11 am-2 pm and receive free mustache paraphernalia, along with information on how to participate in Movember. You don't have to be male

to participate in this awareness campaign!

- After a month of growing your mustache, participate in a mustache contest where winners of the "best mustache", "most creative mustache", and the "fullest mustache" will win a prize. Location and time of this contest TBA.

Link: <https://us.movember.com/>

Submitted by: Amanda Khodorkovskaya

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Roller Derby, the Best Self Care! - Women's and Gender Studies Roundtable

Are you interested in Roller Derby? Would you like to hear about the experiences of a former Roller Derby skater and coach? This Friday, November 3, the speaker at the November Women's and Gender Studies Roundtable will be Vile Love It, who was a skater, coach and PR chairperson for the Queen City Roller Girls. The roundtable will be from 12:20 p.m. - 1:10 p.m. in the Judson Leadership Center. The roundtables are free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

Submitted by: Sandra Singer

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HR Tip of the Week

Did you know that you can update your emergency contacts in Banner at any time? Are your emergency contacts in Banner up-to-date?

Human Resources is looking to update Banner with your most up-to-date information. We need you to take a look at your emergency contact(s) that are listed in banner and please update any fields that are necessary (such as a change from Spouse to Ex-Spouse) or add a new emergency contact if the person you have is no longer your contact.

Add a new contact in Banner:

1. Log into Banner
2. Click Personal Information
3. Click View or Update Emergency Contacts
4. Click New Contact
5. Fill out all information including the relationship to you
6. Hit submit changes at the bottom

Update already existing contacts in Banner:

1. Log into Banner
2. Click on Personal Information
3. Click View or Update Emergency Contacts
4. Click on the contact that you wish to change
5. Change whatever is necessary in the provided fields
6. Hit submit changes at the bottom

You have the option to add more than one contact, please add as many as you see fit.

Submitted by: Kayleigh Misner

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Internship/Volunteer Fair

November 9th 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Knight Club

Sponsored by Alfred University and Alfred State, this fair is designed to highlight volunteer and internship opportunities in the region. This event will provide an invaluable opportunity for non-profit agencies and other organizations looking to recruit motivated volunteers, and to promote their organization for internships.

Submitted by: Valerie Daciw

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