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### Opening Convocation

On Friday, August 25th at 10:00 am in the McLane Gymnasium, we'll hold the wonderful tradition of welcoming our new students to Alfred University. This year Dr. Christine Heckle '92, Director of Inorganic Materials Research at Corning Incorporated and an Alfred University Trustee, will deliver the Convocation Address. All Faculty and Staff are encouraged to attend this exciting occasion. Please feel free to contact Meghan Dwyer in the Office of the Provost with any questions.

Submitted by: Meghan Dwyer

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### New VPN Service and Remote Desktop Changes

#### New VPN Service

ITS has a new VPN service, FortiClient, available now that has replaced the SonicWALL VPN. We are happy to say there are now both Mac and Windows versions available, as well as mobile clients in both the Android Play Store and the Apple Store. More information can be found [here](#).

If you have any questions, comments or other feedback, feel free to contact the [ITS Helpdesk](#), x2222.

#### Remote Desktop Changes and Enhanced Information Security

To improve network security, ITS will be implementing some changes to the way that users connect to their workstations over Remote Desktop. Starting August 14th, users will need to first connect to Alfred University's FortiClient VPN service before they will be able to connect to Remote Desktop. Once the VPN is connected, Remote Desktop connections will work exactly as it did prior to the changes. This easy and quick additional step will significantly improve network security from outside threats.

If you have not yet installed the new FortiClient VPN client, both a Windows and a Mac version are available [here](#). More information on Remote Desktop can be found [here](#).

Please contact the [ITS Helpdesk](#), x2222, for any required assistance.

Submitted by: Judy Linza

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### **International Student Reception - join us in welcoming our new students!**

The Office of International Programs cordially invites all AU faculty and staff to a reception in the Book End Lounge in Herrick Library to meet and greet our newly arriving students. The reception will be held on Tuesday, August 22nd from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Jeanne Marion

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### **Safe Zone Training**

"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:  
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](mailto:ordway@alfred.edu) to register for any of these sessions.

Submitted by: Eliza Ordway

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### **Alfred/Düsseldorf MFA in Painting**

September 15 - October 19, 2017  
Opening Reception: Friday, September 15, 7-9 pm

The School of Art and Design celebrates the launch of the new MFA Painting program with an exhibition featuring work by painting faculty: Jutta Haeckel, Heidi Hahn, Stephanie McMahon, Kevin Wixted and visiting professors, Peter Hristoff, Stefan Kürten and Driss Ouadahi.

Link: [Fosdick-Nelson Gallery](#)

Submitted by: SOAD Events

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### So you want to learn to sing?

Beginning Voice Class MUSC 132 is a great way to improve your singing skills, lessen stage fright and have a great time while earning 2 "C" (ARTS) credits. Anyone can take this class. If you already sing, you'll improve your range, vocal projection and confidence. If you think you can't sing, think again. This is the class for you!

Beginning Voice meets MW 1:20 p.m. - 2:10 p.m. in Miller 126. If you have questions or just want to find out more contact Professor Luanne Crosby at [fcclarke@alfred.edu](mailto:fcclarke@alfred.edu).

Submitted by: Luanne Crosby

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### TIAA Consultant on Campus

A TIAA consultant will be conducting one-on-one, 45-minute, individual retirement counseling sessions on Wednesday, September 6 in the Human Resources Conference Room in Greene Hall. Let her help you make financial decisions that are right for you. To schedule an appointment, employees should call TIAA-CREF at 1.800.732.8353; remain on the line for assistance.

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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### Mailroom Open in Powell

The Mailroom has returned to Powell Campus Center.

All Faculty/Staff mail and Student mail and packages may be picked up during regular hours.

Thank you for your patience during our recent transition.

Submitted by: Donna Sturdevant

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