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TODAY	TOMORROW	SUNDAY
1:00 1/13/12 - Swim HOME vs. Utica - 1pm	1:00 1/14/12 - Swim AWAY at Hartwick - 1pm	
6:00 1/13/12 -MBB/WBB AWAY at Nazareth - 6&8pm	2:00 1/14/12 - MBB/WBB AWAY at SJF - 2 & 4pm	
	· 1/14/12 - Track at RIT	

Health Insurance Fee for Spring 2012 Students

All incoming students enrolled in classes on the AU campus for Spring 2012 are required to carry health insurance coverage. This includes employees, their dependents, and high school students.

Once registered, students are automatically enrolled in the Spring 2012 health insurance plan and a \$317 charge will be incurred.

If you have private health insurance, and DO NOT want to be automatically enrolled in the student health insurance plan, you must WAIVE ENROLLMENT by completing the online waiver form at <http://www.ahpcare.com/al...>

If you waived out of the insurance plan in Fall 2011, please disregard this message.

For questions, please contact Rene at Health Services: 607.871.2400 or richardsonr@alfred.edu.

Link: <http://www.ahpcare.com/alfred>

Submitted by: Kimberly O'Rourke

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RENT or Buy Your Textbooks at the AU Bookstore

Remember to order your textbooks at <http://alfred.bncollege.e...> You can RENT or purchase. We will have them boxed and ready for you to pick up when you return! Fast, easy, and convenient!

Link: <http://alfred.bncollege.com>

Submitted by: Marcy Bradley

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Foreign Language Placement Exam

Tuesday, Jan. 17
114 Seidlin, 4:30 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 a native speaker of the language they wish to take 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 at AU.

-Students who wish to demonstrate proficiency in another language should contact the Modern Languages Office about procedures.

Results will be posted on Banner under Test Scores but only advisors can look them us.

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

Submitted by: Michele Gaffney

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Bass Player Wanted

Attention Bassists! The AU Jazz Band is seeking a proficient bassist to join the group. Must be able to read music. Jazz experience preferred, but not necessary. Experience on electric and upright bass a bonus!

The AU Jazz Band is an impressive and strong musical group on campus. Music includes swing, bebop, funk, Latin, and more!

Rehearsals are Mondays, 7:15-8:45 p.m., and Wednesdays, 5:30-7 p.m. All rehearsals are in Miller 302.

Contact Chris Foster, foster@alfred.edu if interested.

Submitted by: Christopher Foster

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AU Symphonic Band

Join the Alfred University Symphonic Band! Open to all levels of musicians. We have instruments available on a "first come, first served" basis.

This semester, the Symphonic Band will be performing:

"Jungle Dance," by Brian Balmages
"Dusk," by Steven Bryan;
"Russian Sailors' Dance," by Reinhold Gliere
"First Suite in Eb," by Gustav Holst
"The Lord of the Rings, Movement V, 'Hobbits,' " by Johan de Meij
"Ammerland," by Jacob de Haan
"Vesuvius," by Frank Ticheli.

Our first rehearsal will be this Tuesday (first day of classes), Jan. 17, 5:30-7 p.m. in Miller 302. There are no auditions for the Symphonic Band.

Symphonic Band meets 5:30-7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in room 302 of the Miller Performing Arts Center.

Contact Dr. Chris Foster, foster@alfred.edu, (607) 871.2571 for questions and details.

Submitted by: Christopher Foster

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Congratulations to December Graduating Students!

Please take a minute to fill out the Career Development Center's graduate survey found at the link below. Whether you have your plans settled or not (e.g., employment or graduate school), we'd like to hear about it.

The information is not reported in a personally identifiable way. If you have questions about the survey or need career assistance of any kind, please contact us at 871.2164 or cdc@alfred.edu

Link: <http://www.alfred.edu/cdc/forms/gradsurvey/>

Submitted by: Susan Meacham

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Blackboard 9.1 Upgrade Complete

ITS is pleased to announce that AU has completed its upgrade to Blackboard 9.1. Some additional tools are available, including wikis and YouTube mashups. Some existing features, such as the grade center, have been improved. However, this is not a major upgrade and the user experience should remain the same.

Training for faculty and staff will be available throughout Spring semester. Trainings will be announced in Alfred Today and will also be available by appointment.

If you have any questions, please contact Meghanne Freivald at 607.871.2363 or via e-mail.

For more information and detailed instructions, please visit the Blackboard Support Documents Web page.

Link: [Blackboard Support Docs](#)

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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TIAA-CREF Consultant on Campus

You're invited! Jason Sciotti, Individual TIAA-CREF Consultant, will be conducting one-on-one, 45-minute, individual retirement counseling sessions on Friday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Feb. 14 in the Human Resources Conference Room in Greene Hall. Let him help you make financial decisions that are right for you.

To schedule an appointment with Jason, Non-Statutory employees should call TIAA-CREF at 1.877.209.3144 and Statutory employees should call TIAA-CREF at 1.800.732.8353; remain on the line for assistance.

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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New Alfred Online Magazine Live!

The latest edition of Alfred Online is available at [http://alfredmagazine.alf...](http://alfredmagazine.alfred.edu)

Take a look at the 175th Anniversary video:
Dec. 5, 1836 was a Monday and the day Bethuel C. Church called together the first class, some 20 students, to the new Alfred Select School. Fast-forward to Dec. 5, 2011, also a Monday and the 175th anniversary of the Alfred Select School, or what evolved into Alfred University. The occasion was marked in a proper but festive way.

Link: [Alfred Online \(December 2011\)](#)

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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