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Greetings—and Some News—from the UHP

To those of you just joining the University Honors Program this fall, welcome! The UHP staff is anxious to make sure your year in Honors starts off well. To all of our returning students and faculty, we have missed you over the summer, so welcome back! We are looking forward to an excellent year working together.

Beyond welcoming everyone, we'd like to use this newsletter space to give everyone a shared starting point for the year. To that end, here's a little information, news, and a preview.

First, regarding information, did you know that there are currently 355 students active in the UHP? And they

come from each of our four colleges. According to our data, 55 percent of UHP students are in the College of Letters and Science, with Biology and Psychology the most popular majors. Another 20 percent of our students are completing majors in the College of Education and Human Services. The College of Business Administration is represented by 12 percent of our students, nursing majors make up 9 percent of the Program, and the rest of our students are as yet undecided as to their major.

Other interesting data points: Last academic year, 27 students successfully completed the GPA and curricular requirements upon graduation, joining our ranks of alumni. Our 2006-07 graduates also came from every college and even 24 different majors, pointing up how the UHP draws together students with a wide range of interests and talents. Having such a diverse group of students is something that makes our work in the UHP office especially enjoyable.

With regard to news, we have two Honors Lounge-related items: First, did you know that the Lounge, located in Polk 17, is now home to some brand-new equipment? A Mac computer, printer, and scanner are available for you to use any weekday, typically from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.,

with some evening hours as well. And we are continuing to subscribe to the *New York Times*; the paper is available in the Lounge each weekday usually by 10 a.m.

We also have some wonderful news to share about one of our Honors faculty: Dr. Baron Perlman recently received the prestigious Charles L. Brewer Distinguished Teaching of Psychology Award. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, this is essentially a lifetime achievement award recognizing an "exceptional teacher of psychology." Of course, the UHP has long known that Dr. Perlman is that exceptional teacher, and we are delighted to have the APA recognize that as well. Congratulations, Dr. Perlman!

As for our preview, we want to make sure you've got September 19 marked on your calendar. That's the date for our fifth annual Convocation. It will again be held in the Pollock House from 5 to 7 p.m., and Dr. Todd Sandrin is our featured speaker. Those of you who have attended in the past know it is a good opportunity to find out what else is new in Honors this year, share some refreshments with new and old friends, and most of all, get inspired to make the most of the year before us. See you there!!

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Check it out: www.uwosh.edu/honors/



Spring 2008 Honors Courses

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:40-11:10		GEOLOGY 110 (Mode) <i>Lecture</i>		GEOLOGY 110 (Mode) <i>Lecture</i>	
11:30-12:30		GEOLOGY 110 (Mode) <i>Discussion</i>		GEOLOGY 110 (Mode) <i>Discussion</i>	
11:30-1:00		ENGLISH 110 (Maguire)		ENGLISH 110 (Maguire)	
1:20-2:50		ENGLISH 229 (Crawford)		ENGLISH 229 (Crawford)	
1:50-3:20	PSYCH 302 (Perlman)		PSYCH 302 (Perlman)		
3:00-4:00	PHILOSOPHY 110 (Carlin)		PHILOSOPHY 110 (Carlin)		PHILOSOPHY 110 (Carlin)
3:00-4:30		INTRNTL 403 (Grieb)		INTRNTL 403 (Grieb)	
3:00-5:10		GEOLOGY 110 (Mode) <i>Lab</i>			
3:00-6:00		INTRDSCP 175 Honors Seminar (Kaplan & Subramony)			
5:00-8:00			INTRDSCP 475 Senior Seminar (Dingledine)		

When Can I Register for Spring Classes?

Seniors - Monday, October 1

Juniors - Tuesday, October 2

Sophomores - Wednesday, October 3

Freshmen - Thursday, October 4

If you need assistance scheduling your Honors requirements or have other questions about the UHP, please stop by our offices in Polk 8 and 10 or make an advising appointment by contacting Adam Bellcorelli, our Associate Advisor, directly: 424-1362 or e-mail bellcora@uwosh.edu

AISTHESIS HONORS STUDENT JOURNAL

AISTHESIS invites submissions in all academic disciplines of research, fiction, poetry, and visual arts from any undergraduate working in an Honors program or course. Authors must be current Honors students. Written work (MS Word files) should not exceed 5000 words. Please do not send original artwork as it cannot be returned.

Submissions may be mailed as hard copy or sent electronically by Tuesday, October 30, to the attention of Jeffrey Dezelske (dez020@d.umn.edu), Editor, or to Dr. Eve Browning (ebrownin@d.umn.edu), Honors Program Director, to

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Join the UW Oshkosh Model United Nations Team This Fall!

by Carolyn Kirchhoff, International
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What is Model United Nations (MUN)? It is a student organization on campus that allows students to discuss and learn about current events and international issues. It is also an excellent way to challenge yourself further at the University, ensuring that you will walk away with the best education possible. Through your experience on the team, you will further develop your speaking, researching, and writing skills. You will also learn leadership and teamwork skills and make a lot of new friends!

The UW Oshkosh MUN Team takes two trips in the Spring Semester--one to St. Louis and one to New York--where we are able to test our skills and knowledge against our peers from around the country and around the world. The UW Oshkosh MUN Team has walked away with the highest award at both of these competitions for twenty-three consecutive years.

If you are interested in becoming a part of this tradition of excellence, please come to our **Informational Meeting on Thursday, September 20, at 6:30PM in Polk 19** (lower level of Polk Library, just down the hall from the UHP Office). The MUN holds regular meetings every Thursday at 6:30PM (same room as above). If you have any questions and would like to talk to one of our officers, please e-mail us: uwo_mun@yahoo.com.

Honors Thesis Meetings

If you're completing your Honors Thesis this fall, planning one for the spring, or considering the thesis option for the future, it is **CRUCIAL** that you attend these respective meetings:

*Fall 2007 Thesis Completers
Tuesday, September 18, at 4PM*

*Spring 2008 Thesis Planning and for Thesis Info Gathering
Thursday, September 20, at 3PM*

Both meetings will be conducted by Dr. Roberta Maguire, UHP Director, in the Honors Lounge (Polk 17). See you then!

If you are completing or planning a thesis project and are unable to attend this important meeting, please contact the UHP: 424-1303 or e-mail honors@uwosh.edu

What's Going on: Campus and Community Events

Saturday, September 1, and Saturday, October 6, 6PM to 9PM: Art Walk, Main Street, Oshkosh. On the first Saturday of each month, galleries and businesses extend their hours, provide refreshments, and display local artists' creations. A relaxing way to start off your evening, tour our downtown, and appreciate the efforts of artists in the community, the Art Walk has become an Oshkosh tradition. Check out the Art Walk's detailed Web site and see which shops and galleries will be participating this month, print maps to plan your evening, and more: <http://www.oshkoshgallerywalk.com/>

Every Saturday morning through October 13, 8:30AM to 12:30PM: Oshkosh Farmers Market, 215 Church Avenue (located in the City Hall parking 1/2 block east of Jackson Street), Oshkosh. The market gets bigger and better each year! Visit with local farmers, artisans, and neighbors—make the Market part of your weekend plans! Highlights include fresh seasonal produce, breads, plants and cut flowers, free-range eggs and poultry, honey, and cheese. Contact Mary Ruppenthal at (920) 235-4528 for more information.

Monday, September 24, 7:30PM: Dead Man Walking—The Journey Continues, Fox Valley Performing Arts Center, Appleton. Sister Helen Prejean, social activist and author, is a dynamic speaker whose experiences as a spiritual advisor to death row inmates afforded her an unusual acquaintance with the Louisiana execution process. The people and the events she encountered inspired her in 1982 to write *Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty*, which was the basis for the Academy Award-winning film *Dead Man Walking* (1995). Her talk should be especially interesting for audiences in Wisconsin, a state that has not imposed a death sentence since 1851 but whose citizens in 2006 voted for a referendum that would consider it in some cases. Tickets are \$15. For additional info, visit <http://www.foxcitiespac.com/>

Tuesday, September 25, 10AM to 7PM, Used Book Sale, Oshkosh Public Library, 106 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh (enter the north side of the building and follow the signs to the basement). Several times a year, the Oshkosh Public Library (OPL) transforms its basement into a second-hand store where you can “permanently borrow” a surprisingly wide range of good-quality, well-priced (often very cheap!) books and CDs. The Library, which has served Oshkosh citizens since 1900, was designed by William Waters and is a beautiful example of neoclassical architecture. Proceeds from the book sale will go to Library improvements as specified by Friends of OPL. For more information regarding the sale, please call 236-5202.

Through September 30 (Tuesdays through Sundays 11AM to 4PM): Fashion in Film: Period Costumes for the Screen, The Paine Art Center and Gardens, 1410 Algoma Boulevard, Oshkosh. Tickets for students are \$5 with ID. The Paine will showcase dozens of magnificently detailed costumes that added brilliance and gave authenticity to such period pieces as *Dangerous Liaisons*, *Elizabeth*, *The Portrait of a Lady*, and *Pride and Prejudice*. For information regarding this and other events at The Paine, visit www.thepaine.org

Through September 30 (Tuesday through Saturday 10AM to 4:30PM and Sunday 1PM to 4PM): From Sea to Shining Sea, Bergstrom-Mahler Museum, 165 North Park Avenue, Neenah. The museum is just one stop on a two-year national tour that will present more than ninety pieces of America's best-known contemporary realist and impressionist painters. The selected works are the artists' response to September 11, 2001, and to the natural diversity of our nation's many landscapes. Admission is FREE. For more information, call (920) 751-4658 or visit <http://www.bergstrom-mahlermuseum.com>

Monday, October 8, through Saturday, October 13: Earth Charter Community Summit 2007. Events for this year's Summit will be posted as dates are confirmed. Events are free, open to the public, and will be posted on <http://www.uwosh.edu/earthcharter/summit2007.php>

Thursday, October 18, 7:30PM: UW Oshkosh Symphony Orchestra, Music Hall, Arts and Communications Center, 926 Woodland Avenue, Oshkosh. Admission for UW Oshkosh students is FREE with ID. Please call the Music Department at (920) 424-4224 for details.

Wednesday, October 31, through Saturday, November 3, at 7:30PM, and Sunday, November 4 at 2PM: “W;t,” Fredric March Theatre, 926 Woodland Avenue, Oshkosh. Margaret Edson's beautifully written, Pulitzer Prize-winning play about a solitary English professor diagnosed with ovarian cancer. The audience plays confidant to the various reflections, lessons, and revelations that surface while she challenges the disease with experimental doses of chemical therapy and comes to terms with the life that will soon be denied her. For more information, call (920) 424-7042.

Saturday, November 10, 7:30PM: Branford Marsalis, Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, 400 West College Avenue, Appleton. This is a treat for jazz lovers in our area—the opportunity to see and hear Marsalis, the great saxophonist from New Orleans, not only affordably but, fittingly, in the acoustically prime PAC. There will also be a preshow discussion; please call the PAC for details at (920) 730-3760 or visit <http://www.foxcitiespac.com>. Tickets are \$15 for students; all others are \$30.

Through December 31 (Monday through Saturday 9AM to 5PM and Sundays 11AM to 5PM): Memories in Color & Steel—Railroad Photography of Kevin Hass, National Railroad Museum, 2285 South Broadway, Green Bay. Hass, a self-employed photographer who makes his home in Los Angeles, has had a longstanding interest in trains that began when he made the first of many railroad trips as an infant to and from the Midwest. This exhibit is the first time that Mr. Hass's mysterious, detail-drenched train images have been presented as a one-person show. Admission price through September 30 is \$9.00 (\$8.00 thereafter), and includes the photography exhibit and a train ride (daily through September 30 and on weekends through October), where visitors can board a vintage, diesel-powered train for a 25-minute conductor-led tour of the Museum. Visit www.nationalrrmuseum.org or call (920) 437-7623.

UHP Alumni—Where Are They Now?

🔥 **Katrina Bell** (BS in Psychology and minor in French, Spring 2007) is in Mount Pleasant, Michigan and has begun the Clinical Psychology PhD program at Central Michigan University.

🔥 **Marisa Cuellar** (BS in Journalism and minor in History, Spring 2007) is a Marketing Coordinator at Kalmbach Publishing in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

🔥 **Heather Freund** (BSE in History and BSE in Social Science and minor in English [Secondary Education], Spring 2007) is teaching psychology, crime and social issues, and U.S. history at Eisenhower Middle/High School in New Berlin, Wisconsin.

🔥 **Michelle Glines** (BFA in Graphic Communications, Spring 2007) is working for Silver Editions, a children's publishing company, in New York City. She works with illustrators from all over the world and with many clients, including McGraw-Hill, Houghton Mifflin, and Scholastic. She is busy building her portfolio, learning about the publishing world, and is "really enjoying the city."

🔥 **Heath Mynsberge** (BA in Political Science and minor in History, Spring 2007) is attending law school at UW Madison.

🔥 **Laura Roemaat** (BA in Spanish and BSW, Spring 2007) is starting her Master's in Social Work at UW Milwaukee.

🔥 **Greta Voit** (BSE in Physics [Secondary Education] and minor in Mathematics [Secondary Education], Spring 2007) is teaching Physics and Biotechnical Engineering at New Berlin West High School in New Berlin, Wisconsin.

🔥 **Melissa Whalen** (BA in Journalism [Advertising/PR] and minor in English, Spring 2007) is working as a Public Relations Account Coordinator at Boelter and Lincoln Marketing Communications in downtown Milwaukee.

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Mandatory for Freshmen: Mark Your Calendars for Orientation!



This introductory meeting will provide valuable guidance to incoming Honors students. It will also give you the opportunity to meet Dr. Roberta Maguire, Director of the UHP.

All meetings will be in the Honors Lounge (Polk 17), which is just down the hall from the UHP offices on the lower level of Polk Library. Please stop by for a brief (about one hour) informational session at one of the following times:

Tuesday, September 11

1:30-2:30 or 3:30-4:30

Wednesday, September 12

11:30-12:30 or 12:40-1:40

Thursday, September 13

11:30-12:30

If you are unable to attend any of these meetings, please contact the UHP:

424-1303 or e-mail honors@uwosh.edu

WORDS TO THE WISE

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM'S FIFTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION

PLEASE COME CELEBRATE A NEW ACADEMIC YEAR WITH THE UHP
ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19! ALL ARE INVITED FOR FOOD,
CONVERSATION, AND SAGE ADVICE FROM ONE-TIME UNDERGRADUATE
DR. SANDRIN, WHO WILL PRESENT THIS YEAR'S KEYNOTE ADDRESS.

PROFESSOR TODD SANDRIN
BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

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