

## **Top Titans of the Week (8/2-8/6/10)**

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Political science professor **Jim Simmons** serves as editor of the Wisconsin Political Scientist journal, a publication of the Wisconsin Political Science Association.

Following a three-year hiatus, the journal hopes to breathe new life into the association, which will hold its first conference since 2008 on Oct. 15 at Cardinal Stritch College.

In addition to editing, Simmons contributed an editorial note and co-wrote an article titled “What Happened to the Truth?”

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**Michael Lizotte**, UW Oshkosh’s director of sustainability, will be among the featured speakers presenting “Biodigesters and Energy: New Technologies and the Economic Challenges/Opportunities with the Grid” at the Biotechnology Vision Summit on Aug. 25 in Middleton. Wisconsin Public Service is sponsoring the presentation; the summit is hosted by BioForward. [Read more about the summit.](#)

UW Oshkosh student **Ian Olvera** will release “The Reckless Kind,” a collection of songs he and his band, The Sleepwalkers, have been performing for the past year. The CD release party will take place Aug. 7 at the Crunchy Frog in Green Bay. [Read more at greenbaypressgazette.com.](#)

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Violinist **Klara Fenyö Bahcall** will present a benefit concert Sept. 5 in the schoolhouse of The Clearing, located just north of Ellison Bay. In addition to serving as a faculty member in UW Oshkosh’s music department, Bahcall has taught “Chamber Music for Strings” at The Clearing for 10 years. **Eli Kalman**, also of the UW Oshkosh music department, will accompany her. [Read more at greenbaypressgazette.com.](#)

A short play written by UWO student **Joe O’Hearn** will be performed Aug. 27 at the WRCT Studio

Theatre in Wisconsin Rapids. Admission to the play-reading of “Boundary Crossing” is free and open to the public. [Read more at wisconsinrapidstribune.com](http://www.wisconsinrapidstribune.com).

**Darryl Sims**, former assistant director of athletics at UW Oshkosh, has been named the University’s new athletics director, following a two-month search that involved more than 60 applicants from across the country. [Read more here](#).

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