News and Notes
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Honoring Beverly Daniel Tatum and Students' Thoughts on Civic Engagement's Impact

NAC&U administrators, faculty, and staff joined together in San Francisco last week to celebrate the 7th Annual Boyer Awardee, Beverly Daniel Tatum; honor author William Sullivan; and share best practices in civic engagement and other relevant topics with audiences at the AAC&U Annual Meeting.

NAC&U Board Chair and President of the University of Evansville Tom Kazee presented the Ernest L. Boyer Award to Dr. Tatum, citing her dedication to helping students understand how racism plays a role in their lives and how racial identity development can help them to overcome it. Read more.

Belmont’s Teaching Center Hosts Mini-Workshop on New Digital Technology in the Classroom

By Jonathan Thorndike, Belmont University Honors Program Director and NAC&U Ambassador

Belmont University faculty, administrators, and research librarians recently came together for a mini-workshop and demonstration of innovative pedagogy session titled "The Scholarship of Digital Information" (SoDI). Sponsored by Belmont's Teaching Center, the mini-workshop was inspired by the New American Colleges and Universities (NAC&U) Digital Scholarship Workshop held last fall at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. Read more.
Coding, Cookbooks, and Other Interdisciplinary Feasts at Valparaiso

By Timothy J. Tomasik, Associate Professor of French, Richard P. Baepler Distinguished Professor in the Humanities, Valparaiso University

In early December, two graduating French majors, Jennifer LeCaptain and Andrea Sanchez, of Valparaiso University presented the fruits of their labor in this semester's senior seminar at a banquet to commemorate their efforts. Jennifer and Andrea chose to take on an experimental project for their senior seminar. The goal of the project was to produce a digital scholarly edition of a Renaissance cookbook. Read more.

NAC&U Student Excellence Award: Submissions Due February 15

NAC&U has announced its inaugural Prize for Student Excellence in which it will recognize up to three undergraduate seniors at its member campuses for their knowledge and experience in liberal arts, professional studies and/or civic engagement.

Each member campus is invited to submit one compelling artifact that represents an undergraduate student's work as it pertains to:

- Their knowledge and experience in the liberal arts, or
- Their knowledge and experience in professional programs or experiential learning (study abroad, fieldwork, or other related experiences), or
- Their knowledge and experiences in civic engagement.

For more details and submission instructions, please go here.

Upcoming Meetings

CFO/Enrollment Management Officers Meeting
March 12-14
Ohio Northern University
Registration information sent via email.

NAC&U 2017 Summer Institute
June 21-23 (Pre-conference meetings on June 20)
Valparaiso University
Registration forthcoming. For event information, please go here.
Top News

University of La Verne, 12 Public School Districts Partner to Guarantee College Access for Students

The University of La Verne has partnered with a dozen Southern California school districts, one private high school, and a community organization in one of the region’s single-largest initiatives to ensure that students have access to a high-quality, affordable college education. The Partnership for Access to College Education (PACE) launched on Jan. 19, 2017, with school districts that encompass more than 50 high schools and serve more than 226,000 students per year.

The program promises qualified students from the districts a pathway to college that includes:

- Access to college preparatory courses
- Guaranteed college admission
- Guaranteed financial aid of at least $10,000 per year
- Application fee waivers
- And a range of programs to assist with college readiness and the application process

Blogs & Contributed Articles

Is Freshman Admission Only About Prestige?: a blog from Roger Williams University President Donald Farish

"Why Talladega Band Belongs at Donald Trump’s Inauguration": a contributed article on CNN.com from Hampton University President William Harvey

Research & Grants

Ohio Northern University Faculty Members Receive NIH Grant for Interdisciplinary Research Project

Westminster Professor Receives STEM Award

Programs & Endowments

University of Evansville to Launch New Logistics and Supply Chain Management Program

Campus News

New Agreement Creates Path for Greece-based High School Students to Study at Widener

St. Edward’s University Creates President’s Advisory Council for a Respectful, Inclusive Community

Nazareth Welcomes Ace Fellow James Spiller

Manhattan College’s Economic Impact on New York State Totals $312M

Ninety-six Percent of Samford Graduates Employed or in Graduate Study

University of Scranton and Luzerne County Community College Enter Dual Admission Agreement

Students & Alumni

Three Students from Nazareth College Awarded Gilman Scholarship to Study Abroad

Pacific Lutheran’s David Akuien ’10 Returns to South Sudan, Reunites with Family After 25 Years

Drury Grad Turns Passion for Design, Business and Travel into Career with Civic Engagement Focus

Amid Election Season Clashes, Roger Williams University Students Chose Civil Discourse: Conservative and liberal students hosted political forum as MTV cameras rolled
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