New year, a new beginning. A new College of Graduate Programs and Honors Studies is now serving over 2000 graduate students and 800 Honors students at Wright State University.

We know you are working hard to achieve your dreams. As the Wright Brothers said, "It is possible to fly without motors, but not without knowledge and skill." I hope the stories in this newsletter will inspire and encourage us all to soar higher with the power of education.

Shu Schiller, Ph.D.
Interim Dean
Professor of Information Systems

Fellowship abound

Being obedient to her faith in God, Adaku Ume, a student in the M.D./Ph.D. dual-degree program in biomedical sciences in the Boonshoft School of Medicine, has received several research fellowships.
Gratitude project

Cindra Holland, D.N.P. and associate professor of nursing, uses a gratitude project to keep students in nursing, be more resilient, and help with the massive shortage of nurses in hospitals.

VIDEO

A love for school

Kayla Patterson, who graduated in December with a master’s degree in student affairs in higher education administration (SAHE), is pursuing her passion for education as an academic coach at Columbus Promise.

MORE

Why Choose Wright State?

Farah Hamandi, Ph.D., ’20, a biomedical engineering graduate, credits her success, in part, to the university’s welcoming, supportive culture - especially for international students.

VIDEO

Editor award

Dr. Sheng Li, an associate professor in the Department of Mechanical and Materials Engineering, won the 2022 ASME Associate Editor Award from the Journal of Mechanical Design. Less than a third of the editorial board received this award. Dr. Li also won this award in 2021.

Research award

Megan Quinn (R, M.Ed. in Literacy), and Dr. Hannah Chai (L), an associate professor of Literacy, received the 2022 Betty Sturtevant Award from the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers (ALER). The award was presented by Tammy Francis, President of ALER.
New college

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Faculty of the Month

Who is Dr. Sheri Stover?

Dr. Sheri Stover is Professor and Director of the Instructional Design and Learning Technologies program. She received the 2021–2022 Wright State Robert J. Kegerreis Distinguished Professor of Teaching Award in recognition of her outstanding reputation with students and innovative course development.

Why do students love Dr. Stover?

Students say that Dr. Stover is an incredibly effective communicator and cares deeply about her students. She provides thorough feedback to students one day after they turn in their assignments. She is a superstar in letting students know where they stand and consistently getting grades posted quickly.

Events & Reminders

Apply for Spring 2023 Graduation

Will you graduate in Spring 2023? Remember to apply for graduation by January 20. Follow this link for instructions. This is very important. You won't be able to graduate unless you apply for graduation on time.

3MT Competition

The Three Minute Thesis/Dissertation Competition is now accepting submissions until January 27. Join this competition to sharpen your "elevator speech" and win cash awards. Visit the website for details.

Scholarship Application

Have you applied for scholarships for the next year? The deadline is February 1. Visit the website to search for scholarships and apply. Please also contact your college and department for additional scholarship opportunities.
Graduate Programs Open House

**RSVP** to attend the in-person graduate programs open house on Thursday, **February 16**, from 5 - 7 p.m., in the Apollo Room. Tell others who may be interested. Come and learn about Master's, doctoral, and graduate certificate programs.

Students First Fund

The Wright State University Foundation is now accepting applications for Students First Fund grants. The deadline is **February 24**. Visit the [website](#) for more details.

Honors Graduation

If you are an Honors student who will graduate this term, please save the date for the Honors graduation ceremony and reception. The event will be held on **April 19** in the Apollo Room.

Words of Wisdom

Be proactive! Take advantage of every opportunity the university offers. Go beyond classes and studies. Reach out to your professors, staff, fellow students, and alums. Interact with them. Get to know them. Wright State is a place of opportunity. Explore all opportunities while you are here and after graduation. - *Dr. Daniel Warshawsky*, Associate Professor, School of Social Sciences and International Studies.

Quiz

Wright State was granted its independent status in 1967. What were the first graduate programs approved by the faculty at Wright State in the following year?

Would you like to share the good news about students and faculty in our graduate and Honors programs? Please send me an [email](mailto:). I look forward to hearing from you. - Shu Schiller, Ph.D.