

New degree offerings for working adults

Beginning this fall, working adults who wish to continue their education have a range of options to choose from at ASU.

The new Office of Professional Studies (OPS), in the ASU College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, will offer Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) and a Master of Liberal Studies. The BLS is a degree-completion program for students who already have 60 to 90 credits toward an undergraduate degree.

The OPS also is developing workshops and certificate programs for working adults who want to further their education without enrolling in a formal degree program.

For further information, contact <http://clas.asu.edu/professionalstudies>.

Sun Devils interning in Washington

Twenty-one young Sun Devils are currently interning for some of the most influential organizations in the country as ASU's "Capitol Scholars".

The Capitol Scholars program has for nine years, provided ASU students with the opportunity to live and work in the nation's capitol for eight weeks with organizations such as the Children's Defense Fund or the National Republican Senatorial Committee.

ASU alumni chapters in Washington, DC, and in Phoenix, contribute both involvement in and financial support for the program. Members of the DC chapter provide individual mentoring, conduct career panels and schedule dinners with the students while they are in Washington.

Provost receives national honor

The National Association of College and University Business Officers presented ASU's Mernoy Harrison with the 2005 Distinguished Business Officer Award.

Harrison, vice president and provost for ASU at the Downtown Phoenix campus, was recognized for outstanding achievement in the field of business and financial management in higher education and service to the association.

ASU Polytechnic introduces new program

A new offering in fall 2005 at the ASU Polytechnic campus in Mesa is the nationally unique Bachelor of Science in Engineering (BSE) program.

In most engineering programs in the U.S., students select one of the engineering disciplines, such as civil, mechanical, or aeronautical and almost all of the course work lies in that field of study.

The BSE program integrates different engineering disciplines and allows students to work on collaborative projects every semester. The new learning environment provides students the opportunity to develop analytical skills, while emphasizing the creative aspects of engineering, teamwork and communication.

Two students receive Homeland Security honors

The Department of Homeland Security has honored ASU undergraduate Marshall Reaves and graduate student Brent Satterfield with prestigious DHS education awards.

Award recipients receive full school tuition and fees, a monthly stipend for nine months and a 10-week paid summer internship at a DHS-designated facility.

Reaves recently completed his sophomore year at ASU, maintaining a perfect 4.0 grade point average. He is seeking dual degrees within the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences while also working in the Center for Glycosciences and Technology in the Biodesign Institute at ASU.

Satterfield, who also earned a DHS scholarship as an undergraduate, will pursue a graduate degree from ASU in bioengineering. He will intern at Sandia National Laboratories in Livermore, Calif.

ASU and Mexico Council set new goals

Following an earlier agreement that provides 75 fellowships for Mexican students seeking to do graduate work at ASU, the University and Mexico's National Council of Science and Technology met in July to establish three new goals:

- Create economic development opportunities along the U.S.-Mexican border;
- Build homes in Mexico using sustainable construction materials; and
- Reach discoveries in the biosciences that can be commercialized.

The goals are part of overall research collaboration efforts that address border issues, materials science, biotechnology and training, and education of higher education leaders.

Business pledges \$500,000 for professorship

Sundt Construction has pledged \$500,000 to endow the Sundt Construction Professorship in Alternative Delivery and Sustainable Development in the Del E. Webb School of Construction (DEWSC) within ASU's Ira A. Fulton School of Engineering.

Sundt chairman and CEO Doug Pruitt said the endowment will help the school meet its goals, as well as change the status of construction management programs across the country.

Sundt Construction Inc., the 61st largest construction company in the country, builds a variety of projects for public and private clients. The 115-year-old firm is employee-owned.

ASU student to receive volunteer award

Courtney Klein, a recent ASU graduate, will be honored this September by the Hon Kachina Council for her volunteer efforts in numerous volunteer projects.

Klein, a nonprofit management and communication major who graduated *magna cum laude* in May, will be just the 4th ASU student to win a Hon Kachina Award in the 30-year history of the program.

In the Hopi culture, the "Hon" kachina symbolizes courage, strength and healing.

Klein's volunteer projects include the Manos d Ayuda Medical Clinic in Puerto Renasco, a non-profit collaboration of professional health care volunteers that conducts free monthly clinics for children in one of Mexico's poorest communities.

Smithsonian selects ASU faculty member

The world's largest museum and research organization, the Smithsonian Institution, has selected ASU's Ramon Rivera-Servera, an assistant professor of performance studies, as a postdoctoral fellow in the Latino Studies Fellowship program.

It is one of the most important research awards in the field of Latino studies.

The program selects U.S. Latino pre-doctoral students and postdoctoral or senior scholars to pursue research related to Latino history, art and culture using Smithsonian resources.

Rivera-Servera was awarded the fellowship to complete two books.