

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES February is Black History Month

Click here for a list of events going on in the St. Louis community to celebrate Black History Month

Sunday:

Mass

Fontbonne celebrates its Catholic Identity by offering a Sunday Evening Mass to students. Prayer and worship are central elements of any faith. No matter what faith tradition you belong to, all are welcome to participate! The wearing of masks and social distancing will be enforced. Contact <u>ministry@fontbonne.edu</u> for more information.

@7pm in Doerr Chapel, 2nd Floor of Ryan

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES New Director of Multicultural Affairs

Please join me in welcoming Deanna Williams as our new Director of Multicultural Affairs. Deanna's start date is February 10th. Deanna is a 2014 Fontbonne alum and comes to us with a depth of experience from her various roles in diversity and multicultural affairs at Emporia State University, University of Virginia and St. Joseph Academy. Many thanks to those of you who participated in the interview process, especially the search committee comprised of Joel Hermann, Jennie Jean-Jacques, Davis Moore, Mary Beth Ohlms, and Anna Goins.

First Friday Fire Alarm Test February 5th

Fire alarm testing will be taking place on Friday, February 5th for all buildings on campus from 7am-10am.

Register for the 2021 Summit on Activism, Inclusion and Leadership

Join us on Saturday, February 20 from 10AM to 12PM via Zoom as we welcome **Dr. Leslie Nwoke** as our annual SAIL Speaker. Her presentation "How to Face What (Or Who) Scares You: A Conversation on Bias" aims to provide students with an opportunity to define implicit bias and understand how it goes beyond racism, to identify our personal biases, and to use stories and experiences to foster empathy and bridge the social divides biases create. Students that register before February 16 will have the opportunity to pick up a "Leadership Journey Care Package" sponsored by Omicron Delta Kappa. <u>Click Here to Register</u>.

Register Call for Proposals – Annual Spring Academic Exhibition

The annual Spring Academic Exhibition is a university-wide event where students from a variety of disciplines share their research with the Fontbonne community.

The event will take place virtually and synchronously via Zoom on Friday, April 23 (Time TBD). Faculty and staff please encourage your students fill out the proposal form [insert link to word file "form"] and send it to Matt Nelson at <u>mnelson@fontbonne.du</u>. The deadline for submissions is Monday, March 15.

Join the Disney Leadership Institute for Fall 2021!

Students interested in joining the sixth cohort of the Disney Leadership Institute should plan to attend one of two information sessions that outline the goals, learning outcomes, costs, and details for the December 2021 trip. The first meeting will be Monday, February 8 at 11AM in the LACE Center. The second meeting will be Wednesday, February 10 at 6PM in the LACE Center. Please contact Grace Reavis, student coordinator for the experience, with questions or concerns. Her email is greavi00228@fontbonne.edu.

Athletic Update

Visit We are excited to have Fontbonne Athletics back competing. However, this year will be a little different in trying to keep everyone as safe as possible. Therefore, our athletic conference and Fontbonne University have decided not to allow spectators for indoor sports through February 28th. The decision on spectators after that date will be determined at a later date. We know that faculty, staff, students and families would love to attend basketball and volleyball games. However, this decision is made with safety at the forefront. Live streaming of competitions will be available at <u>www.fontbonnegriffins.com</u> with a link on the game schedule. Thank you for your support and understanding during these difficult times. Go Griffins!

Squashing the COVID-19 Vaccine Myths

This video describes important myths and information surrounding the COVID vaccine. If you want to further educate yourself, take a look at this video! <u>https://covidvaccine.mo.gov/facts/</u>

Fashion Merchandising Student Works Available to view

Visit a Virtual Gallery of student projects for the Visual Merchandising and Store Planning Course on GriffinShare: <u>https://griffinshare.fontbonne.edu/fas-309/</u>

Student Student-Created Advocacy Kits Available to View

Student works from the Fall 2020 course Advocacy and Public Policy in Education (ECE 320) are now available in GriffinShare! This course examines current and critical issues related to education and early childhood education. During the fall 2020 semester, students identified local, national, and international issues that impact learners, teachers, and communities. This course allows students to take a deep dive into policy issues and practice advocating for issues they find important.

https://griffinshare.fontbonne.edu/ece-320-2020/

The Journey's Virtue Paintings by Victor Wang

Full professor Victor Wang's upcoming solo show, The Journey's Virtue, will be on January 16th through February 14th at Mitchell Museum New Semantics Gallery, IL. This is prof. Wang's biggest solo show in the US since 1991. Date: January 16, 2021 – February 14, 2021

Save The Date (Teacher's Interview Day Event) March 3, 2021

Calling all December 2020 and May 2021 Education Major's who are eligible for Teacher's Certification. The Annual Teacher's Interview Day Event will be March 3, 2021. Due to COVID-19 the event is all virtual. However, you will still have the opportunity to interview with a variety of local school districts for the chance to secure employment for the Fall 2021 school year. Dates to sign up for interviews will be February 5-18, 2021. Contact Davis Moore in Career Development for further details (314) 889-4579 or <u>dmoore@fontbonne.edu</u>

Announcing the Show Me Pride College Summit 2021

The We are excited to announce the 8th Annual <u>Show Me Pride College Summit</u>, a place for LGBTQ+ college students all across Missouri to connect with each other, share knowledge, and build new skills!

Register for the Summit here

When is the Summit?

This year, the summit will be virtual, starting in mid-March and ending in late April. We will spread out the sessions to accommodate different institutions' and students' schedules. When you sign up to attend, you will receive a schedule of all sessions in early March.

How Can I Participate?

Show Me Pride College Summit is structured to allow participants to guide the direction of the summit. We are currently accepting applications for student-led virtual sessions, and the deadline to apply is February 7. Sessions will be hosted mid-March to late-April at a time that is convenient for presenter(s).

There are four kinds of sessions:

- 1. Facilitated Discussion: Pre-selected topic with a discussion led by a facilitator
- 2. Caucus: Shared identity space (Can be open or closed to other identities)
- 3. Workshop: Interactive activity
- 4. Presentation: PowerPoint, scripted delivery lecture with Question and Answer

If you want to lead a discussion, caucus, workshop, or presentation, please fill out this <u>registration form</u> by February 7th.

How Much Does This Cost?

Show Me Pride College Summit is **free** for participants. This is made possible by the support of Missouri Colleges and Universities coming together to support this program financially.

Who is Organizing the Event?

We are a collaboration of dedicated staff and faculty from 12 Missouri colleges and universities:

- Avila College
- Lindenwood University
- Maryville University
- Missouri Southern State University
- Missouri Western State University
- Moberly Area Community College
- Rockhurst University
- Southeast Missouri State University
- Stephens College
- University of Missouri-Columbia
- University of Missouri-Kansas City
- William Jewell College

Questions about Show Me Pride College Summit? Email lgbtq@missouri.edu.

Kinkel Center Update

The Charles Jeffers Glik Testing Center will provide proctored examinations by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, contact the Kinkel Testing Center at <u>kinkeltesting@fontbonne.edu</u> or 314-889-4682. Please schedule your appointment 48 hours in advance. Kinkel Center appointments for writing support, peer academic coaching, student accommodations, and tutoring in math, computer science, biology, and chemistry can be made online at <u>https://fontbonne.mywconline.com</u>. Online tutoring in other subject areas can be accessed 24/7 through Thinking Storm in Canvas.

STAY CONNECTED

Submit Event Flyers/Images to post on the "FontbonneEvents" Instagram Account

The @FontbonneEvents Instagram account aims to post information the day of an event taking place or a registration beginning. If you would like to have something featured on the Fontbonne Events Instagram page, <u>please fill out this form</u>

Taylor Library Live Chat

Got questions? 24/7 Chat is now available. Look for the chatbox on the library website: <u>https://library.fontbonne.edu</u>.

Registration is now live for GriffinTHON 2021!

GriffinTHON is going places next year and we want all of you to come with us! Our journey to raise money FOR THE KIDS in our two Children's Miracle Network of Greater St. Louis hospitals is starting now with discounted registration for all members of the Fontbonne Community. This year, we are looking to get the entire Fontbonne Family involved – so you can either join a "team" that is already established or work with your athletic team, student organization, classmates, floormates, etc. to create one of your own! Contact GriffinTHON President, Blake Klenke (<u>wklenk00302@fontbonne.edu</u>) with questions! <u>https://events.dancemarathon.com/event/griffinthon2021</u>



Don't forget to connect with us on social media! Fontbonne University: <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> Fontbonne Events: <u>Instagram</u>

CAREER CORNER

Career Development (2nd Mentoring Program)

Networking. Mentoring. Leadership. Kick start your career as a WICT student member.

Career Development is sponsoring an additional mentoring program. WIC is a Mentoring program for all Communication related majors. This program is open to all students. Its member mentors include representatives from companies that include Spectrum, Charter Communications, Comcast NBC Universal, just to name a few.

Want to learn more about WICT? Visit the Midwest Chapter website at WICTmw.org. Ready to join WICT? Go to the WICTnow.org to learn more and click Join WICT.

Please Contact Davis Moore in Career Development for additional information. (314) 889-4579 or <u>dmoore@fontbonne.edu</u>

First Year Career Foundation Students

Students please complete the second part of the FCF program. You must schedule a second appointment with Career Development. Our virtual workstation is arraigned in Medaille Hall, outside of the Student Affairs office. Contact Davis Moore (314) 889-4579 or <u>dmoore@fontbonne.edu</u> for an appointment.

On Campus Job Opportunities

Welcome back Students!

If you are interested in working on campus please log in to Purple Briefcase.

https://app.purplebriefcase.com/pb/account/login/

There are still several on campus jobs available.

In addition, Purple Briefcase houses a variety of Internship opportunities and regular part-time/full-time jobs.

Please contact Career Development if you are in need of assistance with job search skills and/or advice on choosing a career.

(314) 889-4579 or dmoore@fontbonne.edu

FONTBONNE STRONG FROM COUNSELING AND WELLNESS

Intellectual Self-Care

It's more important than ever to stimulate and challenge your brain in fun ways to help promote overall mental health. Some intellectual self-care activities include:

- Reading a book or listening to a podcast
- Solving a puzzle
- Watching a documentary
- Playing a game like chess, checkers, or sudoku

Interested in making an appointment? Email us at counselingappts@fontbonne.edu

LIVING OUR MISSION

Amongst these challenging times, we must continue to live our mission and serve thy dear neighbor.

Volunteer From Home: There are volunteer-from-home opportunities (such as reading newspapers for individuals who are visually-impaired, writing grants, creating websites, calling isolated senior citizens, etc.) which can be found at <u>https://www.stlvolunteer.org/volunteerfromhome</u>. The United Way continues to update this site as more organizations are offering virtual volunteer opportunities. If a Fontbonne Community member does not already have an STLvolunteer account, the attached document describes how to sign up!

Pause for Peace: Campus Ministry is continuing the "Pause for Peace" program via social media and email. We invite people to spend 1 min in silence to reflect on internal, local, national, and international peace from noon - 12:01 on Mondays.

Mass: Join us for Sunday Mass each week at 7PM in the Doerr Chapel. Masks and Social Distancing are required.

Prayer during this Difficult Time: Holy One, I need You in this time of turmoil. I ask that You would grant me that peace that surpasses understanding. I need that kind of peace that rules over my mind and heart despite the fear I experience due to the pandemic and the intense social unrest. I know I cannot go through all of this on my own, and I know that with You, nothing is impossible. Always remind me that You are always there beside me, Holy One wherever I am and whatever comes my way.

Stay informed about Campus Ministry news and events here.

Have news to share in an upcoming issue of this mailer? Email Janelle Julian at <u>jjulian@fontbonne.edu</u> by Fridays at noon.



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