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West Chester University of Pennsylvania

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September 2010

SPECIAL EVENT

Saturday, Sept. 11, 10:30 a.m. A statue of alumnus Michael Horrocks was dedicated prior to the home opener football game against Edinboro (16-14). Horrocks, a WCU quarterback from 1981 to 1984, was the co-pilot on United Flight 175, the second plane that was hijacked and crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001. The statue was unveiled at the north end at Farrell Stadium overlooking the field. To read more about the days events, please [click here](#).

Campus News & Events

A Record Year in Freshman Applications

The University received 15,124 freshman applications for the 1,976 spots in this year's freshmen class - a record number for West Chester. Many students chose to transfer to West Chester: The University received 3,606 transfer applications

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2010 Football Schedule

for an entering transfer class of 1,200.

New Programs

This fall, the University is offering a new master of science in exercise and sport physiology, a new minor in science education and two new graduate certificates: one in literacy coaching, the other in universal design for learning and assistive technology for special education professionals.

New Construction

Ground will soon be broken for the new Student Recreation Center on the site of a former residence hall at the southeast corner of the campus. It will incorporate many sustainable elements, from a green roof and a green wall to geothermal heating and cooling and the use of recycled materials for interior finishes.

Opening is on target for August 2012. Renovations have brought significant changes to Bull Center, the former home of networking and telecom, student services and the theatre department. Interior demolition is complete and exterior excavation and construction are underway. The building will be occupied by the art department and the department of theatre and dance. Both the Main Stage Theatre and the J.Peter Adler Theatre will remain in operation and space is being created for two dance studios.

Estimated re-opening will be in August 2011. Wells are being drilled to expand the University's geothermal energy system. The current construction site on Roslyn Avenue will bring into the loop another 170 wells. The wells will support the Student Recreation Center and FHG Library. Installation of horizontal piping to connect the well



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field to FHG Library will begin this fall, and to connect the Student Recreation Center will occur next spring.

Come join us for Family Weekend 2010! October 15th - 17th



Family Weekend Kick-off Barbeque
Friday, October 15th

Located at Farrell stadium
South New Street
\$20 - Adults and WCU Students
Free - 12 years and under
Tickets on sale now!
Call 610-436-2266

For additional information on Family Weekend activities: [Click Here](#)

Student Programs site:

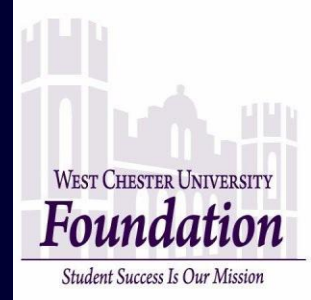


WCU PARENTS FUND

As a parent of a WCU student, you contribute value to the University and student success. Your involvement, through the WCU Annual Fund, helps us maintain a focus on our top priority: students.

We encourage you to remain actively involved in your student's educational experience while forging a meaningful relationship with the University.

To learn more about the Parents' Fund or ways to give please click on the image below.



Resources for Career Planning & Employment

The Twardowski Career Development Center assists students with identifying and exploring career options as well as building the skills needed to secure rewarding employment opportunities, both while still in college and after graduation. The center also assists students with the process of exploring and applying to graduate and professional school.

Students are encouraged to utilize a full-range of services including:

- one-on-one meetings with career professionals;
- FOCUS2, a web-based tool that helps students assess how their interests and skills relate to various majors and careers
- assistance with resume writing and preparing for interviews
- career fairs on campus and within the Philadelphia region
- hundreds of job and internship openings via College Central Network
- an extensive website

For seniors interested in jobs after graduation or for other students interested in internships, the on-campus recruiting

program brings over 85 organizations annually to West Chester to interview students (October-December and February-April). Career Fairs in October and March typically have 70 hiring organizations participate; our fall career fair takes place on October 20 from noon to 4 pm in the Sykes Union Ballrooms. The center also delivers a number of workshops, programs and special events designed to connect students with employers.

We welcome all students - and you - to stop by or contact our office in the Lawrence Center and learn more about how we can support students in pursuing and achieving their goals.

More information is also available in our office brochure which may be accessed online at this: [Office Brochure](#)

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225 Lawrence Center
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This Week at WCU!

Follow this [link](#) to find information on what is happening this week at West Chester University! Be sure to save this link and check back for weekly updates on campus events.

Upcoming Welcome Events

Click [here](#) for WCU's schedule for upcoming welcome events!



[WCU Alumni Online Community](#)

The Online Community is a free service to alumni that will keep you connected to your friends, classmates, Alumni Association and to WCU. Features include a searchable all-inclusive alumni directory, online Class Notes, permanent email forwarding, and much more. Registration is required to protect the security of the site. The community will also provide you with a permanent e-mail forwarding address that can display your Ram pride wherever you go! (yourname@alumni.wcupa.edu)

If you have questions, please contact Courtney Long at clong@wcufoundation.org.

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