

APRIL 4, 2016

PSU Board of Trustees approves tuition increase to avert cuts

The Portland State Board of Trustees approved modest increases in tuition for next academic year to balance the budget and avoid cuts in programs and personnel. The board voted March 31 to approve a 3.7 percent increase in annual tuition and mandatory fees for resident undergraduate students and slightly smaller increases for non-resident and graduate students. Annual tuition and mandatory fees for full-time Oregon undergraduates will be \$8,337 starting next fall. [READ MORE](#)

Alumni director named interim leader of PSU Foundation

Tom Bull, executive director of the PSU Alumni Association, will lead the PSU Foundation as interim president and CEO during the Foundation's national search for a permanent head. He replaces Contance French, who also held the interim post. Bull has directed Alumni Relations at Portland State for four and half years and is a member of the Foundation's senior management team. [READ MORE](#)

Celebrate PSU student employees and their supervisors

The [Student Employment Awards](#), celebrating outstanding student employees and their supervisors across campus, will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday, April 11, in the Smith Union Ballroom. This year, 117 students and 134 supervisors were nominated for 15 awards. The campus community is invited to the event, which will be opened by Provost Sona Andrews. Light refreshments will be served and student employees may participate in a raffle.

Faculty Support Desk marks first year

The Office of Academic Innovation will celebrate the first anniversary of its [Faculty Support Desk](#) with an open house from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 7. The event will feature refreshments and tours of the new faculty computer lab and "one button studio" simple video recording setup.

Madagascar exhibit and Anthropology Department fundraiser April 6

The Anthropology Department will host a fundraiser in conjunction with a display exhibit on Madagascar from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, in 141 Cramer Hall. Materials on display include antique lithographs and prints of lemurs, animal fossils and contemporary Malagasy textiles. The exhibit will be accompanied by the sale of T-shirts, notecards, and other items embellished with the work of Vietnamese artist Van Hoang Doa, whose natural history paintings of primates from around the world were selected to illustrate the 25 Most Endangered Primates identified by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature for 2014-2016. Proceeds will support graduate student field projects in Madagascar.

Nominate standout students for awards

Faculty and staff are invited to nominate outstanding students for PSU's Student Achievement Awards. Awards will be given for academic achievement, University service and community engagement. Nominations are due April 29 and may be [completed through an online form](#). Once nominations have been received, each school and college will select one undergraduate, master's and doctoral recipient in each of the three categories. Awards will be presented June 8. [READ MORE](#)

Workshop discussion on faculty evaluations

Faculty evaluations—why we do them and how to make them meaningful—will be the topic of discussion for visiting guest speaker Jennifer Faust from University of Louisiana at Lafayette, 1 to 3 p.m. Monday, April 11, in 238 Smith Union. Faust's presentation, "Preparation for a Meaningful Experience," is a professional development workshop in the Office of Academic Affairs' Academic Leadership Series. Faust will identify challenges and opportunities inherent in strong evaluation programs for faculty and consider ways faculty evaluations can be used in support of faculty diversity and equity. OAA requests that attendees [RSVP for the event online](#).

Free science lecture tickets

Free tickets are available from the PSU Box Office for the upcoming Linus Pauling Memorial Lecture "[Masters of the Planet: The Search for Our Human Origins](#)," featuring Ian Tattersall. The lecture is at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at First Congregational Church, 1126 SW Park Ave.

Encourage students to...

Apply to the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program for the 2016-17 program year. [Applications](#) from undergraduate students are due Monday, May 2, for the cohort that runs January-August 2017.

Participate in the [Three Minute Thesis](#), an international research communication competition designed to help master's and doctoral students develop presentation skills. The PSU competition will be held May 6, and applications are due Monday, April 18.

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[OAI Jumpstart Writing Program](#)

[OIT Workshop: Intro to DataMaster](#)

[OIT Workshop: Exploring DataMaster Reports](#)

[PSU Faculty Senate Regular Meeting](#)

[Gentle Yoga with Erica Wagner](#)

April 4-5
[Jupiter Quartet Performance](#)

April 5
[Clean Power Forum](#)

[The Rise of China and the Transformation of U.S.-Japan Relations](#)

[Sexuality and the Generations](#)

April 6
[CBL eSymposium: Community-Based Learning: Exploring the Possibilities](#)

[Engineering Beta Project Showcase](#)

[Healthy, Wealthy: Social Security and Medicare](#)

[NW Mixtape: Hip Hop Culture & Influences](#)

[Industry Trends and Their Impact on Talent: Athletic and Outdoor Industry](#)

[Friends of Geography Monthly Meeting](#)

[Contemporary Regionalism: A Conversation with Michelle Grabner](#)

April 7
[Performance Series: Piano](#)

[CLAS Faculty Research Brown Bag: Social Communication and Young Children](#)

[OAI Jumpstart Writing Program](#)

[Community Cleanup Walk](#)

[Ann Klein Lecture: Youth Identities in MTV's Scripted Reality Television Shows](#)

[Environment, Economics Series: Technology Breakthroughs and Emissions Reductions to Stem Climate Change](#)

[OAI Faculty Support Desk Birthday Open House](#)

[Picture Perfect: Photoshop and the Architectural Makeover](#)

[Hell on Earth: Two Artists' Responses to Nuclear Disaster](#)

[Upright Citizens Brigade Touring Company Improv Show](#)

April 8
[Bring Your Kids to Campus Day](#)

[Collective for Social and Environmental Justice Symposium](#)

[Softball: PSU vs. North Dakota doubleheader](#)

[Chemistry Seminar Series: Shannon Stahl](#)

[Dive-In Movie: Finding Nemo](#)

[Interrogating 'Chineseness': Reconsidering Ang Lee's film Eat, Drink, Man, Woman](#)

April 9
[Softball: PSU vs. North Dakota](#)

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