

EVENTS

November 6

[Desire2Learn Workshop](#)

1 to 3 p.m., 437 Neuberger Hall, register online, free

[How to Make Your Own Deodorant: White Performativity and Privilege within the Sustainability Movement](#)

5 to 7 p.m., Women's Resource Center, Montgomery Court

[Will China Rule the World?](#)

6:30 p.m., 327 Smith Union, free

November 7

[Hands-on Sustainability](#)

11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Women's Resource Center, Montgomery Court

[Google Spreadsheets, Forms, Surveys Workshop](#)

1 to 3 p.m., 439 Neuberger Hall, register online, free

[Indigenous Educational System of the Micronesian Island of Palau](#)

2 to 4 p.m., Women's Resource Center, Montgomery Court

[Decolonizing our Food System](#)

5 to 7 p.m., 228 Smith Union

[International Architecture: Ellen Dunham-Jones](#)

6 p.m., Shattuck Hall Annex, free

November 8

[Middle East Studies Lecture: Ahmed Maher](#)

Noon, 236 Smith Union

[Why Doesn't That Traffic Signal Ever Turn Green? An Evaluation of Roadway Markings for Cyclists](#)

Noon, 204 Distance Learning/Urban Center

[The Politics of Cultural Values Mapping: Struggles over Natural Resources in the Olympic Peninsula](#)

2 to 4 p.m., 660 Academic Student Rec Center, free

[Adobe Dreamweaver Workshop](#)

2 to 4 p.m., 437 Neuberger Hall, register online, free

[Women's Basketball: PSU vs. George Fox](#)

7 p.m., Stott Center, \$25/\$18/\$8/free

November 10

[Women's Basketball: PSU vs. St. Mary's](#)

2 p.m., Stott Center, \$25/\$18/\$8/free

[Art Opening: Unnatural Acts - Crimes Against Mother Nature](#)

2 p.m., includes work of Tom Buell, Mile-post 5, 850 NE 81st Ave

[Shahin Najafi: Live in Concert](#)

7 p.m., Tiffany Center, 1410 SW Morrison; \$42/\$27/\$12

November 11

[Veterans Day](#)

University closed

November 12

[Google Documents, Presentations, Drawings Workshop](#)

9 to 11 a.m., 450 Neuberger Hall, register online, free

[The Language of Baklava: Prof. Diana Abu-Jaber](#)

6:15 p.m., Multnomah County Central Library, 810 SW 10th

November 13

[The U.S. Environmental Health Movement: Strategies and Successes](#)

Noon to 1 p.m., brown bag, 123 Market Center Bldg, free

[Diversifying the Environmental Movement with Marcelo Bonta](#)

3 to 5 p.m., Native American Student Center, free with ticket

[Indigenous Food Sovereignty and Sustainability](#)

6 to 8 p.m., Native American Student Center

[Asian There, Asian-American Here: Ethnicity in SE Asian and the USA](#)

6 p.m., Prof. Charles Keyes, 5th Ave Cinema, free

[The Moth Story Slam](#)

7 to 9 p.m., Behind the Museum Café, 1229 SW 10th, free

[In the Face of Guatemala's Sexual and Environmental Violence: Indigenous Women's Non-Violent Responses](#)

7 p.m., 328 Smith Union, free

[Men's Basketball: PSU vs. Pacific Lutheran](#)

7:05 p.m., Stott Center, \$25/\$18/\$8, free

[The Millionaire and the Mummies: the Adventures of Egyptologist Theodore Davis](#)

7:30 p.m., 294 Smith Union, free

PEOPLE

[Lissa Kaufman](#), [Jeff Renfro](#), [Jenny Liu](#)

PRESENTED

[Mel Gurtov](#), [David Johns](#), [Beth Lloyd-Pool](#), [Anne McClanan](#), [Jilma Meneses](#), [Dustin Morrow](#), [Tracy Prince](#), [Alex Ruzicka](#), [Melinda Hutson](#), [Heather Spalding](#), [Vicki Wise](#)

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- HR Policies, Contracts and Forms
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Four-Year Degree Guarantee announced

Last week, President Wim Wiewel announced that PSU will become the first public university in Oregon to offer a Four-Year Degree Guarantee to help students graduate on time and save money on tuition. Starting in fall 2014, full-time entering freshmen can sign an agreement to follow a four-year degree path. If they stay on track, PSU guarantees students will have the courses and advising they need to graduate on time — or they will not pay tuition for any remaining required courses. [READ MORE](#)

Former dean Nohad Toulan dies in auto accident

Emeritus Dean Nohad Toulan, founder of the College of Urban and Public Affairs, died Monday, Oct. 28, along with his wife, Dirce Angelina Moroni Toulan, in an automobile accident in Montevideo, Uruguay. The Toulans were widely regarded as key figures in Portland's modern urban development. Dean Toulan was on the task force that drafted the region's urban growth boundary in 1977 and was a champion of the tri-county Metro government. [READ MORE](#)

Developing an international program

Faculty and administrators are invited to learn more about developing international faculty-led programs at a World is Your Classroom workshop from 3 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, in 236 Smith Union. PSU faculty who have developed and led overseas program will brainstorm ideas with interested faculty. Light refreshment will be served. The free event is sponsored by the PSU Office of International Affairs. [READ MORE](#)

Japan after the earthquake

A Japan scholar will discuss the repercussions of the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami on Japan's government and society in a free talk on Friday, Nov. 8. Richard Samuels is a professor of political science and international studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His talk, 6 p.m. in 329 Smith Union, is based on his book *3.11: Disaster and Change in Japan*. [READ MORE](#)

Big send off for Professor Scott Burns

Portland Mayor Charlie Hales and President Wim Wiewel proclaimed Oct. 24, 2013, "Scott Burns Day" to recognize the career of longtime PSU geology faculty member Scott F. Burns. A party was held in his honor that evening, and more than \$100,000 was raised to support geology student scholarships. Burns will retire at the end of 2013. [READ MORE](#)

New center for veteran students

Portland State, whose student body contains a higher proportion of military veterans than any other Oregon university, launched the Veterans Resource Center this summer as a new service for veteran students. Located on the fourth floor of Smith Memorial Student Union, it also provides faculty and administrators with resources and information to support the student veteran community. The head of the news center is Ray Facundo, an Iraq War veteran who worked with student veterans at the West Chester University Veterans Center in Pennsylvania. [VISIT THE WEBSITE](#)

Noon talk on 'Dollarocracy'

Media critic Robert McChesney and political journalist John Nichols will discuss their new book, *Dollarocracy: How the Money and Media Election Complex is Destroying America*, at noon Nov. 14 in 296 Smith Union. From a decades-long perspective of covering American politics, the authors worry that U.S. citizens are in danger of becoming less informed and more open to manipulation. The event is free and open to the public. [READ MORE](#)

Roland West passes away

Roland West, a retired financial aid counselor, died Oct. 17. He was 78. Roland, a 1965 alumnus of PSU, worked at the University for more than 20 years, retiring in the early 1990s. He is survived by his wife, Debbie West, of Oregon City.

What did you think of Portland State of Mind?

Departments across campus offered more than 60 events during Portland State of Mind, Oct. 18-27. The Office of University Communications would like to know how events worked out for faculty and staff who attended or hosted one. Please take a few minutes to share you thoughts in [this quick questionnaire](#).

Alert students to upcoming career and school fairs

[Nonprofit Career Fair](#), Nov. 7, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Smith Union Ballroom, room 355

[Portland Law School Fair](#), Nov. 9, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Smith Union Ballroom

[NW Graduate School Fair](#), Nov. 18, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Smith Union Ballroom

Comments sought on University policies

The University Policy Committee has approved drafts of the Financial Irregularities Policy and Acceptable Use Policy. Public comments on the draft policies will be accepted through Nov. 25 and considered prior to final policy adoption. Visit the [University Policy Library](#) website to submit comments. Questions can also be directed to Lorrie Baker, paralegal in the Office of the General Counsel, at bak4@pdx.edu.

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