

APRIL 6, 2015

What's your vision for PSU?

Sustainability? Diversity? Urban research? A group of Portland State faculty, students, staff and others are hard at work crafting a new strategic plan to guide the University into the next decade and beyond. As part of that work, they have rewritten the University's vision and mission statement. Now it's your turn to weigh in. [READ MORE](#)

Business programs move up in *U.S. News* rankings

U.S. News and World Report has ranked Portland State's part-time MBA program among the top 100 in the nation for the third year in a row in its 2016 "U.S. News Best Grad Schools" guidebook, released March 10. The publication also ranked the Healthcare MBA, a partnership by PSU and Oregon Health & Science University, No. 47 for best online MBA programs, and the Master of Science in Global Supply Chain Management No. 28 for best online graduate business programs. [READ MORE](#)

Join the Community Chorus

The PSU Community Chorus—a choir for alumni and current and retired faculty and staff—is seeking new members. There are no auditions and the choir includes singers of all levels. Rehearsals will be held from noon to 12:50 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Cramer Hall 453, and the first rehearsal of spring term will be on Tuesday, April 6. [READ MORE](#)

Keep informed of building and space access issues

PSU Facilities and Property Management has created a [new webpage](#) and email listserv to

inform the campus of current and upcoming physical accessibility impacts such as elevator outages, building entrance diversions and sidewalk closures. The new webpage includes a list of locations affected as well as a link to the listserv.

Provide feedback about library

The PSU Library invites faculty, staff and students to participate in a survey about the library's services. Questions cover topics such as electronic resources, library space, dependability and user satisfaction. The survey can be [completed online](#).

Free fruits and vegetables April 13

Fresh fruits and vegetables will be given away at [Harvest Share](#), an event sponsored by the PSU Committee for Improving Student Food Security and the Oregon Food Bank. The free food is available on a first-come, first-served basis at noon Monday, April 13, outside Shattuck Hall on the Park Blocks. Bring a reusable shopping bag.

Nominations sought for student awards

Students who have excelled in academics, service to the University and engagement with the community are eligible to receive a 2015 Student Achievement Award. Faculty and staff are encouraged to [nominate outstanding students](#) by 5 p.m. Friday, May 1. The awards ceremony is planned for June 11.

PSU to receive tree award April 11

The Arbor Day Foundation has [honored Portland State as a Tree Campus USA](#) for its commitment to effective urban forest management on the downtown campus. The national program honors universities for campus forest management and engaging the school community in conservation goals. A Tree Campus USA award will be presented to PSU during the Portland Arbor Day Celebration at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Farmer's Market in the Park Blocks.

Plant produce on campus

Members of the Portland State community can promote healthy behaviors and help brighten people's days at the Garden to Give event from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 9. Volunteers will gather on the Urban Center high patio off the fourth floor to plant produce and flowers and decorate small pots with inspirational quotes. Supplies and light snacks will be provided, and registration is required. The event is sponsored by Campus of a Cause. [READ MORE](#)

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EVENTS

April 8
[OIT Workshop: D2L Basics](#)

[Matthew Shepard is a Friend of Mine](#)

['Extreme Extraction and Violence Against Native Women' Screening and Dialogue](#)

[Justice for My Sister: Film and Q-and-A with Filmmaker](#)

April 9
[PSU Classical Percussion Performance](#)

[OAI Faculty Workshop: Finding and Embedding Library Content in D2L and Online Courses](#)

[Art & Sports Lecture: Alicia McDald](#)

[CulturaLink: Sports Around the World](#)

[JumpStart Writing Program](#)

[Opening Reception: 19 Human Artists](#)

[Sustainable Solutions for Gentrification in Portland](#)

[The Greening of Chinese Literature: Shanshi Aesthetics and the Environmental Crisis](#)

[Holocaust and Genocide Studies Film: *Screamers*](#)

April 10
[NW Symposium on International Faculty-Led Programs](#)

[Bring Your Kids to Campus Day](#)

[International Security in the 21st Century: International Graduate Student Conference](#)

[Transportation Seminar: Geometric Design, Speed and Safety](#)

[Thai New Year III](#)

April 10-12
[A Chance Encounter: Syrian Theatre Now](#)

April 11
[Arbor Day Festival 2015](#)

[Rose City Rock Rodeo Bouldering Competition](#)

[Mekong By Night: Third Annual Cambodian Culture Show](#)

April 13
[Harvest Share](#)

[OIT Workshop: Intro to DataMaster](#)

[OIT Workshop: Exploring DataMaster Reports](#)

[Body Sovereignty: Embodying the Intersection of Fatness, Queerness and Indigeneity](#)

[China: Where Is It Headed and What Could It Mean?](#)

April 14
[CLAS Faculty Research Brown Bag: Professor Todd Rosenstiel](#)

[Creating Healthy Interpersonal Relationships](#)

[OIT Workshop: Google Calendar, Google+, Hangouts](#)

[Trauma-Informed Self Care](#)

[Holocaust and Genocide Studies Film: *Watchers of the Sky*](#)

PEOPLE

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