

## Academy preps freshmen for college success

To better prepare its freshmen class, Morehead State University will host the 2008 Success Academy, June 23-July 25.

The Academy is a five-week program of college instruction and tutoring for students admitted to the University who are in need of additional academic preparation.

The Academy will give students who need to brush up on math, reading or English skills a head start so they are better prepared for their first semester at MSU.

"The University is committed to helping students succeed in college. To do this, we're offering students who need a little extra help getting started a good program and a good value," said Dr. Dan Connell, associate provost academic outreach and support.

Participants will have the opportunity to enroll in two developmental courses, and a special College Success course that combines study skills, career planning, and Freshman Orientation.

Students who complete the academy will begin the Fall 2008 semester with nine (9) college credits completed, and more importantly, be better prepared for success in their freshman year.

High school seniors who have taken the ACT exam and scored below 18 on two or more of the mathematics, English, and reading sections (science not included) are eligible to participate.

Extensive tutoring and supplemental instruction will be provided during each class day, and also be available near student living areas during evening hours. The College Success Class will improve study skills, emphasize career development, and orient students to the programs, people and services at MSU.

The Success Academy will be located on MSU's Morehead campus. Students will live in residence halls and are subject to all university regulations. Residence assistants and tutor/peer counselors also will live in halls with students to provide academic support, programming, and administration of residence hall policies.

Guest speakers and other special activities will give participants a head start toward success when they begin college in the fall.

Students who are eligible for financial aid, and file early for summer aid (the deadline is June 15), may be able to lower the cost significantly. Enrollment is limited to 60.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Mike Hopper, director of academic and career services, at 783-2233 or by visiting the Success Academy Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/success](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/success).

## Career Fair

MSU's Career Services will host its spring Career Fair March 4. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

The Career Fair is a great way for students to start the job search. Employers will be looking to fill not only full-time positions, but also internships, part-time, and seasonal positions. Graduate programs will be in attendance as well.

Career Services also will have a "How to Work a Career Fair" workshop on Feb. 27 at 12:40 p.m. in 211 Allie Young Hall.

Additional information: 783-2233.

## MAT orientation sessions slated

College graduates who are interested in a career as a teacher may want to attend one of the upcoming information sessions on the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program at MSU.

MSU offers three MAT programs (middle school/secondary/special education) in which degree holders with no prior teaching experience may obtain a master's degree and teacher certification, while employed as a teacher.

Orientation sessions for the MAT program at MSU will be held in various locations from Feb. 27-March 25.

At the sessions, program design, including admission and application processes for middle, secondary and special education teaching will be discussed. Interested persons are encouraged to bring transcripts, GRE/ACT scores and any Praxis test results they may have.

Sessions will be held on various dates at several locations:

Wednesday, Feb. 27, 3 p.m., MSU at Jackson

Friday, Feb. 29, 4 p.m., Morton Middle School in Lexington

Tuesday, March 11, 3 p.m., MSU at Prestonsburg

Tuesday, March 11, 4 p.m., MSU at West Liberty

Tuesday, March 11, 6 p.m., MSU at Ashland

Wednesday, March 12, 4 p.m., MSU at Mt. Sterling

Tuesday, March 25, 6 p.m., Mason County High School

On MSU's Morehead campus, orientation meetings are available by appointment.

Additional information on the Master of Arts in Teaching is available by calling the program office at 783-2079; or by sending e-mail to Michelle Roberts, MAT admissions coordinator, at [m.roberts@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.roberts@moreheadstate.edu).

## Feminist lecture

An expert in social issues in the media will give a guest lecture at MSU.

Dr. Gail Dines will present "Sexy or Sexist? Images of Women and Men in Popular Culture" at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11 in Button Auditorium. She is the co-editor of the best-selling media textbook, "Gender, Race and Class in Media," and co-author of "Pornography: The Production and Consumption of Inequality." Her articles on pornography, the media and violence have appeared in academic journals, books and in various national periodicals.

A feminist activist, Dr. Dines is professor of sociology and women's studies, and chair of American studies at Wheelock College in Boston. She received her Ph.D. degree from Salford University in England.

Her program is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by the Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program at MSU.

Co-sponsors for the event are MSU units/departments: Arts and Humanities Council; Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology; Office of the Provost; Panhellenic Council; Department of Art; Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy;

Department of Geography, Government and History; Multicultural Student Services Action Agenda; Office of the President Cultural Diversity Fund; First Year Program; Student Wellness; College of Education; Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy; and Department of Health, Physical Education and Sport Sciences. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Sylvia Henneberg, associate professor of English and director of women's studies, at 783-5288.

## Nominations open for MSU service awards

MSU is seeking nominations for two of its most prestigious honors: the 2007-08 Distinguished Faculty and Distinguished Staff service awards.

Full-time faculty members whose primary responsibility is teaching and staff members whose major duties do not include teaching are eligible for nomination for the faculty and staff awards, respectively. Information on employee status is available in the University Personnel Policy Manual.

The nomination packet should include the name and address of the nominee along with a brief one-page letter explaining how the individual meets the criteria.

The supporting materials should detail the individual's service to the University, including service as an official representative of MSU; serving as sponsor or adviser of an extracurricular activity; participating in ad hoc or standing committee at the department, college or university level; coordination of and participation in workshops, conferences, clinics, in-service and special events; development of non-research proposals;

Development of relations/partnerships with external groups, such as business, civic, education and government; and volunteer role in the community, such as coach for Little League, American Cancer Society or American Heart Association.

The name of the nominator and the nominee will remain anonymous. Materials must be mailed to Service Committee, Morehead State University, 150 University Boulevard, Box 764, Morehead, KY 40351 by 4 p.m. on Monday, March 3.

The recipients of the distinguished service awards will receive a medallion and a \$2,500 award. Nominations will be accepted from University faculty, staff, retirees and students as well as members of the community.

The awards will be presented during the annual Academic Honors Convocation on Sunday, April 27.

## Moss show

Preacher Moss will bring his "End of Racism" show to MSU on Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall, within Baird Music Hall.

The event is being sponsored by the Student Activities Council, which will give away two free front row tickets to the April 23 Spring SAC Concert featuring Chamillionaire with opening act Black Violin.

A writer for Damon Wayans, and Saturday Night Live, Moss' comedy stylings are distinguished for being sculptured out of the everyday relevance of life, and the rare glimpses of truth we value as reality.

According to reviews, Moss is intellectual, yet humble. He is charismatic and dynamic, but yet he does not have to demand great attention or time because his audiences come to cooperatively listen, laugh, and in "special" moments, reflect. Besides Wayans, he has served as a comedy writer for such comedians as Darrell Hammond and George Lopez.

For the past few years, Moss has been touring the national college and high school lecture circuit performing his own unique brand of humor in a lecture and comedy presentation.

Additional information is available by calling Terri Roberts, student activities coordinator, at 783-2071.

## Comedic play

One of William Shakespeare's earliest plays, "A Comedy of Errors," will be staged at MSU for three nights, Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 28-March 1.

The comic farce tells the story of two sets of twins who leave Syracuse for Ephesus, where they meet their respective identical twin brothers. The interaction of their friends and family members leads to confusion, mistaken identities, arrests and accusations.

It was based on "Menaechmi" by the Roman dramatist Plautus. The slapstick humor of the play is enhanced by numerous puns and comic banter.

"A Comedy of Errors," a Main Stage theatre production, will be performed at 7:30 p.m. each evening in Button Auditorium on the Morehead campus.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for non-MSU students and senior citizens. MSU students will be admitted free with a valid EagleCard ID.

Additional information and reservations are available by calling the Theatre Box Office at 783-2170.

## MSPR grant

Morehead State Public Radio has received a "My Source" grant from the National Center for Outreach in cooperation with the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The project is a public awareness initiative created to celebrate and affirm the essential role of public broadcasting in American society. Through the grant, public broadcasting enthusiasts may contribute to a national conversation on how public media cultivates an informed and educated society.

Morehead State Public Radio is collecting comments at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com).

Comments will be collected and posted online at MSPR's Web site. Listeners are asked to explore their reasons for supporting public broadcasting and share their stories beginning with the phrase "MSPR is my source for..."

Participants in the "My Source" project also will have the option of having their story produced into an audio spot which will air locally and can be submitted for the national campaign. Additional information on the "My Source" project can be found online at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com)

## Open House

MSU's Office of Enrollment Services will host its next Open House on Saturday, March 8, from 9 a.m. until noon at the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus.

University representatives will be available to meet students and families, answer questions, lead campus tours and share information concerning college life.

Additional information is available by calling Enrollment Services at 783-2000.

## Job vacancies

### INTERNAL

**Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Student Life**, Office of Student Life. To ensure consideration, apply by March 1.

### EXTERNAL

**Enrollment Services Specialist**, Office of Enrollment Services. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 27.

**Elmer & Donna Smith Endowed Faculty Chair**, College of Business and Department of Information Systems beginning August 2008. Review of applications will begin March 1, and will continue until the position is filled.

**Search Extended. Clinical Director**, University Counseling Center. Review of new applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Online Enrollment Services Counselor**, Office of Enrollment Services. To ensure consideration, apply by March 4.

**Distance Instruction Librarian I or II**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies; position will be open until Dec. 31.

Internal applicants should obtain a copy of the job opportunity posting from the Office of Human Resources indicating the application materials required for each position. Official transcripts are required for administrative positions. A keyboarding exercise is required for secretarial, clerk/typist and dispatcher positions and must be completed prior to the position closing date. To register, contact the Office of Human Resources at 783-2097.

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## SBDC workshop

MSU's Small Business Development Center at West Liberty will host a workshop "Becoming a Certified Child Care Provider," on Tuesday, April 8, at MSU's Regional Enterprise Center.

The class will run from noon to 2 p.m.

Melissa Kane of the Gateway Child Care Resource and Referral program will lead the presentation and discuss program planning, management and regulatory issues for establishing family child care homes.

Additional information is available by calling Michael A. Rodriguez, SBDC consultant, at (606) 743-4005.

## Delivery service

The Camden-Carroll Library's faculty/staff book delivery service has been suspended temporarily due to frozen staff vacancies, according to Jason Vance, assistant dean for research & instructional services.

Library staff may resume the service after July 1.

## Happenings

### Thursday, Feb. 21

Board of Regents work session, Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

Film screening: "Imitation of Life," first floor lobby, ADUC, 7 p.m.

Guest recital: Diana Amos, soprano, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Friday, Feb. 22

Junior recital: Lydia Stamm, percussion, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 23

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Tennessee Tech University, Academic-Athletic Center, 2 p.m.

### Tuesday, Feb. 26

"Meet MSU Day," Student Lounge-Administration Building, Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College (Whitesburg Campus), 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; also Feb. 27, Oswald Building, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

"Tunnel of Oppression," awareness experience, ADUC, 10 a.m., also Feb. 27.

Film screening and discussion of "Living the Story, the Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky, 202 Breckinridge Hall, 6 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 27

Baseball: Eagles vs. Georgetown College, Allen Field, 3 p.m.

"End of Racism Comedy Tour" by Preacher Moss, DRH, 8 p.m.

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Tennessee State University, Academic-Athletic Center, 5:15 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Tennessee State University, AAC, 7:30 p.m.

Theatre production: "A Comedy of Errors" by William Shakespeare, Button Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., also Feb. 29 and March 1.

### Friday, Feb. 29

Baseball: Eagles vs. University at Buffalo, AF, 3 p.m.

Emerging Leaders Symposium (ELS), for students, ADUC, all day.

### Saturday, March 1

Kentucky Music Educators Association Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Festival, Baird Music Hall, all day.

Baseball: Eagles vs. University at Buffalo, AF, doubleheader, noon, also March 2, noon.

### Sunday, March 2

Graduate recital: Matthew Leonard, voice, DRH, 3 p.m.

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