

# TRUMAN

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The following candidates for the position of Registrar will be on campus in December

**Tracy Lampkins**

Friday, Dec. 10

Open Forum for Faculty and Staff

2 p.m. ♦ VH 1000

Open Forum for Students

10 a.m. ♦ VH 1000

**Kim Dockus**

Monday, Dec. 13

Open Forum for Faculty and Staff

1 p.m. ♦ VH 1000

Open Forum for Students

2 p.m. ♦ VH 1000

**Kay Anderson**

Tuesday, Dec. 14

Open Forum for Faculty and Staff

1 p.m. ♦ VH 1000

Open Forum for Students

2 p.m. ♦ VH 1000

## Newspaper Editor, Publisher to Address December Graduates

**H**ank Waters, editor and publisher of the *Columbia Daily Tribune*, will address students as the commencement speaker for the December graduation ceremony.

The commencement is at 1:30 p.m., Dec. 18, in Pershing Arena. About 260 undergraduate and graduate students will be marching during the commencement ceremonies.

The *Columbia Daily Tribune* has been



owned by Waters' family since 1905. He has been the editor and publisher since 1966. He writes all of the editorials for the newspaper.

A Columbia, Mo., native, Waters serves on the Stephens College Board of Trustees and the Boone County Community Trust Committee. He is on the State Historical Society board of directors.

He graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science.

## Volleyball Team is Second in Division II

**T**he Truman volleyball team brought home second place in the division after a tough loss to tournament host Barry University (Miami Shores, Fla.). This was the team's second trip in three years to the NCAA Division II Championship game.

Truman had knocked off the undefeated and first-ranked team in the country, the University of Nebraska at Kearney to reach the championship game.

As the third-ranked team in the country, Barry defeated the second-ranked Bulldogs by a 25-30, 30-21, 30-25, 30-24 score. After Truman won a close game one, Barry used a strong front row game and strong serving to take control of the match, winning the next three games.

The match was the final one for four Bulldog seniors: Jessica Sears, Lauren



The Truman volleyball team gathers at the welcome home celebration Dec. 5 in Pershing Building.

Dickbernd, Annie Nickolai and Rebecca Knefelkamp. The four players led Truman to a 133-17 record during the past four years, including two NCAA runner-up finishes. Sears, Graham and Shearman were named to the Elite Eight all-tournament team.

*Faculty and staff are cordially invited to attend the*

### *Holiday Open House*

3-5 p.m.

Dec. 15

University Residence  
706 S. Halliburton

A shuttle service will be provided from the McClain Hall parking lot (located between McClain Hall and the Student Union) to the University Residence. The shuttle service will begin at 3 p.m., with trips back and forth between the two locations every 15 minutes ending at 4:45 p.m.

## THREE NIGHTS OF ONE ACT PLAYS

SPONSORED BY THE  
DIVISION OF FINE ARTS

8 P.M.

DEC. 9-11

OP COURTYARD THEATRE

THURSDAY, DEC. 9

- ❖ "The Man Who Turned into a Stick" by Kobo Abe  
-Directed by Joe Pini
- ❖ "Life Support"  
by Max Mitchell  
-Directed by Nate Dendy
- ❖ "Aria Da Capo" by Edna St. Vincent Millay  
-Directed by Anne Zager

FRIDAY, DEC. 10

- ❖ "The Other Half"  
by Scott C. Sickles  
-Directed by Amy Hartmann
- ❖ "The Adventures of Captain Neato-Man"  
by Timothy Scott Harris  
-Directed by Chris Martin
- ❖ "Moony's Kid Don't Cry"  
by Tennessee Williams  
-Directed by Katy Davis
- ❖ "Charity" by Leonard Melfi  
-Directed by Emily Maulin

SATURDAY, DEC. 11

- ❖ "War of the Roses"  
by Lee Blessing  
-Directed by Steve Meyer
- ❖ "Visitor from New York"  
by Neil Simon  
-Directed by Stephanie Sullivan
- ❖ "Projections"  
by Rachel Kempf  
-Directed by Stephanie Nash

Doors open each night at  
7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Contact Anne Zager at  
785.7301 for more information.

## Free Wrapping Paper

10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Dec. 7 ❖ McClain Hall

Dec. 8-9 ❖ VH Lobby

The Recycling Center and the Environmental Campus Organization are offering free recycled wrapping paper, cards, ribbon and tissue paper.

For more information, call the Recycling Center at 785.7672 or Cassie Phillips at 785.7180.

## Truman Students Win at Texas Tech Tournaments

Sixteen students from the Truman Forensic Union brought home almost 40 awards from Texas Tech University's "Lubbock or Leave It" Invitational tournaments. Truman captured five individual tournament championships and won the overall tournament championship, out-pacing institutions from across Texas and the United States, including Rice University, the University of South Carolina, the University of Wyoming and several colleges and universities from the Texas university system.

Truman advanced a team record of eight two-person parliamentary debate teams to elimination rounds of the tournament. In the open division, five teams reached the octofinals, including senior Tyson Helder (Sioux Falls, S.D.) and freshman Sam Hodge (Blue Springs, Mo.); junior Elizabeth Hobbs (Newton, Kan.) and sophomore Keith Schnakenber (Buffalo, Mo.); senior Matthew Harms (Galesburg, Ill.) and sophomore Holly Magdziarz (Springfield, Mo.); freshman Matthew "Cody" Snyder (Neosho, Mo.) and Sarah Archer (Kansas City, Mo.); and junior Meghana Kunkala (Hattiesburg, Miss.) and Dylan Roethermel (Homewood, Ill.). The team of junior Trevor Alexander (Kansas City, Mo.) and sophomore Aaron Hammonds (Des Moines, Iowa) reached quarterfinals. In the junior division, freshman Todd Turner (St. Louis) and sophomore Stefani Wittenauer (Belleville, Ill.) reached semifinals, while the team of freshman Vivienne Creamer (Kansas City, Mo.) and Derek Goff (Kansas City, Mo.) reached the finals before losing a debate with a team from Rice University in Houston, Texas. Hobbs was the tournament champion speaker in the open division while Wittenauer was the top speaker in the junior division. Turner was second speaker and Creamer was tenth speaker, also in the junior division.

In individual events competition, the contest was broken into two separate tournaments with different hosts, commonly called a "swing." The first portion, hosted by the Texas Tech team, saw Truman capturing 10 awards in individual events. Hobbs was the tournament champion in rhetorical criticism. She also captured second place in informative speaking.

Hammonds was second in impromptu speaking and sixth in extemporaneous speaking, while Goff and Creamer took third in duo oral interpretation. Kunkala took fourth in poetry interpretation, while Snyder took fifth in extemporaneous speaking. Turner, Goff and Hammonds each took fifth, sixth and seventh respectively in program oral interpretation. The team captured third in individual events sweepstakes for the tournament, first in debate sweepstakes and first in overall sweepstakes. Sweepstakes is a cumulative measure of points awarded to all students competing for a particular institution in the tournament.

The second half of the "swing" was hosted by Texas Tech's "Friends of Forensics" organization and resulted in eight more honors for the Truman team. In extemporaneous speaking, Hobbs was crowned tournament champion. Kunkala received the same honor for her performance in rhetorical criticism. Hobbs was also fifth in informative speaking and Kunkala was sixth in both poetry interpretation and extemporaneous speaking. Hodge took third in extemporaneous speaking while Hammonds took third in impromptu speaking. Creamer and Goff finished out Truman's awards with a fourth-place finish in duo interpretation. Truman took second in individual events sweepstakes.

"There have been a few tournaments in the past where we sent out a small number of students and they all came home with some trophies," said Kevin Minch, director of forensics. "However, I cannot remember a time when we sent this many students and every one of them came home with an award. The accomplishment is all the more important because Texas Tech is the host site for this year's National Parliamentary Debate Association (NPDA) National Championships. Our students now have an extra edge going into that tournament."

The Truman Forensic Union is open to all students. The program is funded by divisional funds and parental and alumni contributions. For more information about the forensics program, contact Kevin Minch at 785.5677.

## Mary Giovannini Scholarship Fund Established

Mary Giovannini, professor of business administration, is retiring at the end of the fall 2004 semester after 31 years of service to the division and the University. A scholarship fund has been established in her name.

The scholarship currently is building and will be awarded annually when it reaches endowment level (\$10,000). The principle of the fund is invested to produce income and then the annual award is made from the interest. The criteria for the scholarship will be pre-business/business administrative major, financial need, a 3.0 GPA or above and preference will be given to students from northeast Missouri.

During her career, Giovannini taught Business Communications, Information Systems and Organizational Behavior courses. She was instrumen-

tal in establishing writing standards in the business and accounting curriculums and served as convener for the business administration discipline. She also established and directed the "Europe in Transition" study abroad summer experience. Since the mid 1980s, Giovannini served as coordinator of the Freshmen/Truman week experience.

She received her bachelor's degree and doctorate from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She received her master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

For more information or to make a gift to the scholarship, contact Becky Pike at 785.4688 or [bpik@truman.edu](mailto:bpik@truman.edu). Also, for more information about establishing a scholarship, visit the Web site at <http://www.truman.edu/pages/245.asp>.

## Notables

Stephen Hadwiger, associate professor of nursing, and Kit Hadwiger, assistant professor of nursing, participated in the Chapter Leadership Academy of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society on Nov. 5-6, in Indianapolis, Ind.

Tracy Mullins, residence life housing clerk, received a Support Staff award from the Upper Midwest Region Associates of College and University Housing Officials conference in November. This award is given to support staff who have made a positive impact on the housing office and processes at their home institution.

Antonio Scuderi, associate professor of Italian, had his article titled "Performances and Test in the Italian Carolingian Tradition" accepted for publication in the

journal *Oral Tradition*.

Jessica Sears, senior exercise science major from Colchester, Ill., was named First Team All-American by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA).

She is the second volleyball player to earn first-team honors and the first Bulldog player to be named an All-American two times during her college career.

Sarah Shearman, sophomore from Manchester, Mo., was named Second Team All-American by the AVCA. She is the first Truman sophomore to ever be named to one of the AVCA's All-American teams.

Mark Spitzer, assistant professor of English, will have two fish articles, "Dogfish" and "Getting Myself a Garfish," published in upcoming issues of *The Yale Angler's Review*.

## Homecoming Philanthropy Gives Money to Community Projects

Homecoming Committee members presented checks to two Kirksville organizations on behalf of all of the Truman students who participated in the 2004 Homecoming philanthropy campaign.

Top photo: (Pictured left to right) Campaign Committee members Mark Burger and Deb Boughton along with Kirksville Rotary Club President Jeff Romine accept a check from Homecoming committee members Manuj Bhandari, senior computer science major; Amy Currier, Center for Student Involvement program adviser; and Robin Taylor, Center for Student Involvement coordinator. The check is for the Rotary Club's amphitheater project.

Bottom photo: (Pictured left to right) Laura Cook and Paulette Thompson accept a check from Homecoming committee members Manuj Bhandari, senior computer science major; Amy Currier, Center for Student Involvement program adviser; and Robin Taylor, Center for Student Involvement coordinator. The check is for the Adair Co. Family YMCA to kickoff their gym floor campaign.



## Scholarship Opportunities Available

The Truman State University Financial Aid Office has announced that several scholarships are currently available to Truman students.

The Talbotts Charitable Foundation has scholarship opportunities available to women who are currently residing in the United States and have earned a high school diploma or GED on or before September 1995.

They must be enrolled or planning to enroll in a full or part-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two or four year college, university or vocational-technical school, be attending the full 2005-2006 academic year and receiving a degree no earlier than May 2006. They also need to have at least two semesters (minimum 24 credit hours) remaining to complete their undergraduate degree as of the beginning of the 2005 fall academic term.

Applications are available in all Talbotts U.S. stores, as well as on the Web site at <http://www.talbotts.com/about/scholar/scholar.asp>. The deadline is Jan. 3, 2005, or until the first 1,000 eligible applications have been received.

The Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation Board is offering the Glen Smiddy Memorial Scholarship intern program for summer 2005. The intern will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and is encouraged to explore the possibility of using the internship to fulfill academic requirements for his or her major.

The internship is open to area residents who will be attending a college or university next fall. Preference is given to applicants who have a farm background and/or are studying an agriculture-related field. The length of the internship is about May 15-Aug. 31, 2005.

Applications are available in the Truman Financial Aid Office and must be received by the Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District by Jan. 14, 2005.

Students may log in to TruView after 5 p.m. Dec. 29, to obtain their final grades for the fall 2004 semester. Degree information for December 2004 graduates will be posted by 5 p.m. Jan. 3. Degree information will be posted to the student's online transcript and will include degree, major(s), minor(s), and honors awarded.

## Flu Vaccinations to be Available for High-Risk People

Cost: \$15

1-4 p.m.

Dec. 9

1-4 p.m.

Dec. 10

Available to faculty, staff and students at the Student Health Center who are high risk by CDC guidelines. No children will be given the vaccination at Truman. Go to <http://www.cdc.gov/od/oc/media/pressrel/r041029.htm> to find out if you are in the high risk category by CDC guidelines.

For more information, contact the Student Health Center at 785.4182.

## Fall 2004 Final Grade Deadlines

Faculty may submit final grades via TruView for their fall 2004 full term, second block, and off schedule classes beginning at 8 a.m. Dec. 13. Final grades for all students must be submitted by noon Dec. 28. Faculty members who will be out of town on the final grade due date should leave a contact number with their division office in case there is a problem with their final grades.

## Final Grade and Graduation Information Available

Students may log in to TruView after 5 p.m. Dec. 29, to obtain their final grades for the fall 2004 semester. Degree information for December 2004 graduates will be posted by 5 p.m. Jan. 3. Degree information will be posted to the student's online transcript and will include degree, major(s), minor(s), and honors awarded.

## Notes

The American Medical Student Association is selling one-pocket top, drawstring scrub pants in sizes XS-5XL. The colors include royal blue, navy, hunter green, jade, teal, burgundy, brick red, purple, white or black. They are \$19.99 regularly, or \$24.99 with the AMSA logo. Add an extra \$2 for 2XL, \$3 for 3XL, etc. Contact Brett at 785.5676 or e-mail [bap907@truman.edu](mailto:bap907@truman.edu) for more information.

A CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program is beginning in Kirksville. It is a volunteer program that pairs volunteers with a child to mentor and support. The program is in need of volunteers and donations. For more information, contact Chad Sawyer at the Juvenile Office at 665.4224 or Sarah Preisinger at [sep737@truman.edu](mailto:sep737@truman.edu).

The Center for Teaching and Learning will have its Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs at 12:30 p.m., Dec. 8, in the SUB Spanish Room. The accreditation committee will be presenting "What To Expect From the Site Visit." Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Dobson Radio will broadcast an interview with Professor Noam Chomsky from 4:43-5 p.m., Dec. 8, on 107.5 FM. DJ Ted Wright will air the half-hour exclusive.

Amnesty International will have a Write-A-Thon during its regular meeting time Dec. 8. All are invited to eat snacks while writing letters to win freedom for prisoners of conscience in honor of Human Rights Day. Contact Jeanette Jackson at [d2161@truman.edu](mailto:d2161@truman.edu) for more information.

SAB will be sponsoring two events Dec. 8. "Worst-Case Scenario: A Presentation on Dating, Sex and College" will be at 7 p.m., Dec. 8, in the SUB Georgian Room. This event is free with a Truman student ID. Free food and drinks will be available. Holiday Lights 2004 will be at 9 p.m., Dec. 8, outside Kirk Memorial. True Men and Minor Detail will be performing. Free hot chocolate, cappuccino and cookies will be available. Contact SAB at 785.4722 for more information about either of these events.

The Staff Council University and Community Relations Committee is sponsoring the annual faculty/staff blood drive from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 9, in the SUB Activities Room. Faculty, staff and students are invited and encouraged to participate in this blood drive. To be eligible to donate, you must be 17 years old or older, weigh 110 pounds or more, feel well the day of the blood drive and present photo identification. The goal is to collect at least 40 pints of blood during this drive.

The Observatory will be open to the public weather permitting from 8-10 p.m., Dec. 9, located at the University Farm. Go to <http://observatory.truman.edu> for additional information.

Minor Detail will have a Christmas concert at 6 p.m., Dec. 10, in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is free. Contact Kristin Samuelson at 665.1666 or [minordetail02@yahoo.com](mailto:minordetail02@yahoo.com) for more information. Participate in the "MLK Crossword Puzzle Challenge"

for a chance at winning a \$50 gift certificate to Minn's Cuisine. Packets are available Dec. 10 and are due by Jan. 23 to the MAC. All those who complete the puzzle correctly will be entered into the drawing. The winner will be posted at the MAC on Jan. 28. Contact Sunnie Hughes at 785.4590 with any questions.

The Kirksville Annual Holiday Bird Count will be at 6:30 a.m., Dec. 11, in MG 2024. Participants will count any birds encountered within 7.5 miles of downtown Kirksville to help assess change in avian abundance and distribution. Participants do not need to be experienced bird watchers. The Chariton Valley Audubon Society will provide doughnuts, fruit, hot chocolate and coffee. Contact Pete Goldman at 785.4632 or [pgoldman@truman.edu](mailto:pgoldman@truman.edu) for more information.

Cantoria and Chamber Choir will have their annual fund-raiser Pancake Day from 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Dec. 11, at the First Christian Church. All-you-can-eat pancakes will be available for \$3.50. Members of the two groups will be caroling. Contact Kelsie Morgan at 627.6230 for more information.

The University League Holiday Party for children will be from 3-5 p.m., Dec. 11, in the SUB Alumni Room. The theme will be holidays around the world and all children related to University community families are invited. Admission is a plate of goodies to share and beverages will be provided. For more information, contact Julie Lochbaum at 785.4477.

The Franklin Street Fall Concert will be at 8 p.m., Dec. 11, in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is free. For more information, contact Jacqueline Collett at [jcollett@truman.edu](mailto:jcollett@truman.edu).

Upward Bound (KB 220) has an employment position open for a student services coordinator. The position aids area high school students as they prepare for post-secondary education, coordinates college prep services to high school students, transports high school students in University vans and needs to be a non-traditional undergraduate or have a bachelor's degree to meet driver requirements. Contact Donna Fude at 785.4244 for more information or visit <http://ub.truman.edu>.

Phi Kappa Phi announces Study/Internship Abroad grants worth \$1,000 for Phi Kappa Phi members and non-members in all fields of study. Eligible students must have between 56 and 90 semester hours as of Jan. 15, 2005, and have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. The study abroad experience must take place between May 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006. Applications are due Jan. 15, 2005. Details and applications may be picked up in the Center for International Education, or from Wynne Wilbur, OP 1229 or 785.4435.

The Women's and Gender Studies Committee announces a call for papers "Renewing the Movement" for Truman's 10th annual conference in honor of Women's History Month, March 3-5, 2005. The committee invites abstracts from all members of the Truman and Kirksville communities, including Truman graduates. The deadline for abstracts is Jan. 26, 2005. For more information, contact Linda Seidel at [lseidel@truman.edu](mailto:lseidel@truman.edu).

*Truman Today* is a weekly publication of Truman State University for students, faculty and staff. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Tuesday's publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to [kbest@truman.edu](mailto:kbest@truman.edu) or by completing a *Truman Today* form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101. The form may also be accessed online at <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf>. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style.

## On Campus

### 8 WEDNESDAY

12:30-1:30 p.m.-Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, staff and GTRAs, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes

4 p.m.-Dobson Radio Broadcast with Noam Chomsky; see Notes

7 p.m.-"Worst Case Scenario: A Presentation on Dating, Sex and College," SUB Georgian Room; see Notes

7 p.m.-Women's basketball vs. Rockhurst (Mo.), Pershing Arena

9 p.m.-Holiday Lights 2004, outside Kirk Memorial; see Notes

### 9 THURSDAY

11 a.m.-4 p.m.-Faculty/Staff blood drive, SUB Activities Room; see Notes

8-10 p.m.-Open house, University Observatory; see Notes

### 10 FRIDAY

Last day of classes

6 p.m.-Minor Detail Christmas concert, Baldwin Auditorium; see Notes

### 11 SATURDAY

6:30 a.m.-Kirksville Annual Holiday Bird Count, MG 2024; see Notes

1:30 p.m.-Women's basketball vs. Lincoln (Mo.), Pershing Arena

3 p.m.-University League Holiday Christmas Party for children, SUB Alumni Room; see Notes

3:30 p.m.-Men's basketball vs. Lincoln (Mo.), Pershing Arena

8 p.m.-Franklin Street fall concert, Baldwin Auditorium; see Notes

### 13 MONDAY

Final examinations begin

### End of Semester and Final Exam Hours

Pickler Memorial Library

Dec. 7-9 ♦ 7:30 a.m.-2 a.m.

Dec. 10 ♦ 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.

Dec. 11 ♦ noon-10 p.m.

Dec. 12 ♦ noon-2 a.m.

Dec. 13-16 ♦ 7:30 a.m.-2 a.m.

Dec. 17 ♦ 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Dec. 18 ♦ 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Dec. 19 ♦ closed

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# STUDENT RESEARCH CONFERENCE

*Truman's Celebration of Student Research, Scholarship, and Creative Achievement*

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## Call for Abstracts

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### OVERVIEW

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ON THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2005, Truman State University will convene its annual student research conference, a University-wide *Celebration of Student Research, Scholarship, and Creative Achievement*. This umbrella event will include two separate meetings, the 18th Annual Undergraduate Research Conference and the 3rd Annual Graduate Research Conference, that are united in a cohesive program. Students from all academic Disciplines and Divisions are invited and encouraged to present their scholarly or creative work.

Scheduled classes will not meet during the day on April 14, and it is hoped that faculty will formally integrate the Conference into course schedules and syllabi by incorporating relevant assignments. Suggested ways of doing this are listed on the Conference web site (<http://src.truman.edu>).

### PRESENTATION TYPES

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Presentations will be grouped into disciplinary and interdisciplinary sessions based on the overall distribution of abstracts submitted. Authors select the scholarly area and the presentation type that is most appropriate for their project. The presentation options are listed below.

**Oral paper** – Oral papers, or podium presentations, will be 15 minutes in length (including time for questions) and grouped into sessions based on topic or discipline. A computer with multimedia and projector will be the standard presentation option. Authors who wish to deliver computer-based presentations should use software packages that are on the campus computer image (i.e., campus standards). If additional audio-visual equipment is needed (e.g., overhead transparency projectors, 35 mm carousel slide projectors, video player and monitor), authors should indicate this on their on-line submission form.

**Poster presentation** – Posters will fit onto bulletin boards that are 4 ft. tall and 5 ft. wide. Push-pins for securing presentation material to the bulletin boards will be available on-site.

**Studio art** – Studio arts presentations will be examples of creative works from the fields of painting, photography, print making, ceramics, sculpture, fibers, or visual communications. Students will present a body of work to encompass no more than 8 sq ft. These works will be displayed throughout the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts building; thus they will need to be matted, mounted, framed, or otherwise presented in a professional manner. The abstract proposal must be accompanied by a description of size, media, and an artist's statement of intent.

**Performing art** – Performing arts presentations will be examples of theatrical or musical performances, or a combination of the two. The performances will be 12-18 minutes in length, with an additional 2-3 minutes for questions concerning the composer/writer, style, influence, and performance demands. The performances will take place in the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts building, where stages, performance halls, and classrooms will be made available. The abstract proposal must be accompanied by a description of needed equipment (props, music stands, etc.), and a brief summary of the work's style and influence.

**Technology showcase** – Technology presentations will be displayed on one-half of a standard, 8 ft. long folding table. Space can be used to display computer graphics, continuous (looped) video presentations, and/or other technology demonstrations. Some type of written description of the project should accompany the display.

**Roundtable discussion** – Discussion sessions provide the opportunity for individuals or groups to moderate sessions that are focused on timely, controversial, or perennial topics. Session topics might include a wide range of scholarly issues, and some will be student-oriented (e.g., how to get started on a scholarly project, tips for delivering excellent presentations) and others will be faculty-oriented (e.g., how to mentor student work, the value of collaborative, interdisciplinary research, faculty show-cases). The roundtable sessions will be one-hour, 'brown bag' discussions held over the lunch hour. There will be a maximum number of such sessions that the program can accept.

Posters, technology displays, and studio art works will be on display throughout the day, with the author(s) available at a scheduled time for discussion and questions.

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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#### DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 18, 2005

- Eligible work** – An eligible presentation will report, perform or represent the outcome of substantial work by a student or group of students. While the project may have its origin in an assignment for a class, the presentation should show it has been developed above and beyond a class requirement. It is a paper, artifact or performance that can truly be called a creative achievement.
  - Faculty mentor required** – Each presentation should be sponsored or co-sponsored by a Truman faculty mentor(s); non-sponsored abstracts will not be accepted. If students wish to present scholarly work that has been conducted during an off-campus research internship-type experience, and the faculty mentor is from a different institution, the student should identify a Truman faculty member to be a co-sponsor of the presentation and to help with planning the presentation.
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3. **Abstract requirement** – Each presentation requires an abstract. An abstract is a summary of the project, and should reflect the professional format normally associated with scholarly work in the discipline (e.g., an abstract of an artistic performance may be similar to the program notes that typically accompany such a performance; science abstracts typically include background information, methods, results, and a brief discussion). All abstracts will appear in the Conference program.
4. **Student authorship** – The same student should not be a first author on more than two abstracts. Both single- and multiple-author presentations are welcome. In addition, if undergraduate and graduate students are collaborators on a project all can be joint authors on the presentation.
5. **Abstract preparation** – Student authors should adhere to professional submission standards when preparing abstracts and should work with their faculty mentors to ensure that their abstract is correct, complete, and that all guidelines are followed. The body of the abstract should not exceed 150 words, and it can be composed and edited using standard word processing software. The final abstract, along with other information, will need to be submitted via the on-line submission form. Examples of past abstracts can be viewed on the Conference web site (<http://src.truman.edu>).
6. **Interdisciplinary presentations** – Interdisciplinary presentations are encouraged, and those who would like to apply for inclusion in the Phi Kappa Phi special interdisciplinary session should indicate so on the submission form.
7. **On-line submission** – Submission of abstracts, titles, and other relevant information for all presentations should be carried out on-line at the Conference web site (<http://src.truman.edu>). Copies of the information submitted will be sent electronically to the student presenter(s), the faculty mentor, and the Program co-chair of the academic Division selected for submission (see below). The submission site will open in January 2005, and the deadline for receiving abstracts is **February 18, 2005 (5:00 pm CST)**.

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## FACULTY MENTORS

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The size and scope of the conference preclude any type of peer review of abstracts, and virtually all student submissions are accepted for presentation. Consequently, each student presentation must be sponsored by a faculty mentor, and the Program Committee will rely on faculty mentors to work with their student(s) to ensure that abstracts are correct, complete and the result of eligible work (see submission guidelines above). While the primary goal of the Conference is to encourage and reward student research, scholarship and creative activity, faculty mentors should remember that their student's presentation also reflects upon themselves and their academic Discipline and Division. At the very minimum, faculty mentors should: 1) ensure that the student(s) have complied with the submission guidelines, 2) proof-read the abstract prior to submission and give the student(s) appropriate feedback and editing, 3) formally approve the abstract submission, and 4) preview the presentation prior to the conferences and give appropriate feedback to enhance the quality of the presentation.

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## PROGRAM & SCHEDULE

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The abstracts and final program will be available on-line at the Conference web site (<http://src.truman.edu>) prior to the event, and hard copies will be available at the Conference Registration Desk.

Questions about the program for the Student Research Conference should be directed to the appropriate divisional Program Co-chair listed below, or to the Chair of the Program Committee: Dr. Jeffrey M. Osborn, Division of Science, Magruder Hall 3048, Tele: 785-4017, E-mail: [josborn@truman.edu](mailto:josborn@truman.edu).

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## DIVISIONAL PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS

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