

# Truman today

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## "Bright Minds Bright Futures" Surpasses Goal

Truman recently completed its five-year "Bright Minds Bright Futures" fundraising campaign, eclipsing a \$30 million goal by more than \$600,000.

The University's first-ever comprehensive campaign ended June 30, 2011, with a total of \$30,638,357 in cash, pledges and new planned gift commitments.

"I am deeply grateful to the thousands of alumni and friends who have responded so generously to our call for support," said President Troy Paino. "Over the past five years, the campaign has received a total of 18,690 gifts, including 12,298 from alumni."

In all, donors established a total of 194 new funds with the Truman State University Foundation, including 120 new named scholarship funds.

The campaign featured several major priorities, including student scholarships, student enrichment and academic program support, faculty support, athletics and various mission enhancement initiatives. According to Paino, student scholarships were the focal point of the campaign, and donors responded generously to this priority. A total of \$14,018,594 was generated in scholarships from the campaign, nearly 46 percent of all dollars raised.

"The University is committed to remaining financially accessible and providing exceptional value," he said. "Truman competes with other highly selective colleges, most with substantial endowments, for talented students. These additional resources will help us attract qualified students with financial need."

A second major priority included generating new resources for student learning opportunities outside the classroom. A total of \$8,285,294 has been raised for student enrichment and academic programs, impacting areas such as study abroad, distinguished speaker series, library enhancements, lectureships, student

undergraduate research, programs to benefit the schools and departments, cultural programs and internships.

Other gifts provided campus art, the University's first endowed faculty chair and faculty professorship, capital and facility improvements, a student and faculty emergency fund and support for athletics, among many others.

"While the economic environment of the past few years made it a challenging climate to secure resources, I am humbled by the generous response from our donors and excited about Truman's future," Paino said. "It is clear that private gift support from alumni and friends will play an increasingly important role as Truman moves forward, and we have established a solid base for future campaign efforts."

The University received exceptionally strong support from the local and regional community, as alumni and friends from its Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter collectively contributed \$8.3 million to the campaign, including \$1.3 million from Truman's faculty and staff.

Campaign priorities were determined through a collaborative planning process that began in 2005 and included input from campus faculty and staff, from key University stakeholders and goals from the University strategic plan. The campaign officially opened July 1, 2006 and concluded June 30, 2011.

Chuck Foudree, retired vice president and chief financial officer for Harmon Industries in Kansas City, served as campaign chair and led a corps of more than 100 volunteers who helped conduct regional campaign efforts designed to gather participation from alumni and friends across the country. Former University President Dr. Charles McClain served as the campaign's honorary chair.

"The devotion and impact of our volunteers on the Bright Minds Bright Futures campaign is inestimable," Paino said.



Campaign chair Chuck Foudree, with the help of Truman students, demonstrates the final total for the Bright Minds Bright Futures campaign during a reception July 7 in the Student Union Building.



Bright Minds  
Bright Futures  
Campaign Support by  
Priorities  
(2006-2011)

**Scholarships**  
\$14,018,594

**Student  
Enrichment/  
Academic  
Program Support**  
\$8,285,294

**Faculty Support**  
\$3,174,680

**Athletics**  
\$1,662,480

**Mission  
Enhancement**  
\$3,497,309

**Total**  
\$30,638,357

For more information on the Bright Minds Bright Futures campaign, go to campaign.truman.edu.

To view a list of all the existing funds operated by the Truman State University Foundation, visit giving.truman.edu.

## MOVE-IN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Student Affairs is looking for faculty and staff interested in volunteering to help families move their students on Move-In Day Aug. 20.

Volunteers would be helping unload cars and carrying items to the rooms. Student Affairs also works with volunteers from Greek organizations, campus ministries, athletics and other student organizations.

This is a great way to welcome new students to Truman. To sign up, contact the Student Affairs Office at 785.4111 or email bkral@truman.edu.

## Smoking Policy Change Effective Aug. 1

On Dec. 4, 2010, the Code of Policies of the Board of Governors was amended to prohibit smoking within 25 feet of any building on campus property. This policy change goes into effect Aug. 1.

Policy already prohibits the use of tobacco in buildings and vehicles owned and controlled by the University. Members of the campus community share the responsibility of adhering to and enforcing this policy. The campus community also has the responsibility of bringing this policy to the attention of visitors. Complaints and concerns should be brought to the attention of the appropriate department or supervisor.

## Early Returners to the Residence Halls for Fall Semester

If a University department has a need to bring students back early for the fall semester and the students are already signed up to live in the residence halls, please be sure to contact the Office of Residence Life at 785.4227 or [reslife@truman.edu](mailto:reslife@truman.edu). All information regarding policies for early returners to the residence halls can be found at [reslife.truman.edu/services/earlyreturners/index.asp](http://reslife.truman.edu/services/earlyreturners/index.asp).

## EMERGENCY DRILL TO BE CONDUCTED AT BARNETT HALL JULY 20

The Truman State University Department of Public Safety and other area first responder agencies, along with the Missouri National Guard's 7th Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team, will be conducting a live emergency drill in Barnett Hall and the parking lots nearby on July 20. As the drill will attempt to simulate actual emergency conditions, please be aware that participants will be using the same equipment that would be used in a real event. The drill will involve the use of a classroom in Barnett Hall and the large parking lot to the north of Barnett Hall. Any questions can be directed to Thomas R. Johnson, director of University Police, at 785.4177.

## NEXT ISSUE

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## FACULTY PROMOTIONS AND TENURE

### PROMOTED FROM ASSISTANT PROFESSOR TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Melissa Holcomb — Nursing

Jennifer Hurst — Exercise Science

Marilyn Yaquinto — Communication

Paul Yoder — English Education

### PROMOTED FROM ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR TO PROFESSOR

Scott Alberts — Mathematics

Michael Bump — Music

Dereck Daschke — Philosophy and Religion

Taner Edis — Physics

Laura Fielden-Rechav — Biology

David Garth — Mathematics

Jennifer Jesse — Philosophy and Religion

Priya Kambli — Art

Peter Kelly — Special Education

Hyun-Joo Kim — Mathematics

Julie Lochbaum — Education

Joaquin Maldonado-Class — Spanish

Carol Marshall — Spanish

Marie Orton — Italian

Mark Rice — Music

Pamela Ryan — Mathematics

### GRANTED ACADEMIC TENURE

James Cianciola — Communication

Sheila Garlock — Communication Disorders

Melissa Holcomb — Nursing

Jennifer Hurst — Exercise Science

John Ma — Biology

Mark Smith — Communication

Anton Weisstein — Biology