

COMING UP

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

Men's Golf at LSC Championship
All day Thackerville, Oklahoma

Earth Day 2023 panel

4-6 p.m. CSC Kiowa

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

Men's Golf at LSC Championship
All day Thackerville, Oklahoma

Donuts & Discussions: Words Matter

10 a.m. CSC Caddo

Celebration of Scholarship

1-5 p.m. CSC 161

Faculty Forum: Leann Curry

7 p.m. Dillard 101

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

MSU Tennis at LSC Postseason Tournament
All day Arlington, Texas

Celebration of Scholarship/UGRCA Forum

9 a.m.-5 p.m. CSC 161

Lunch & Learn: Strategies to Support Physical & Mental Health of Black Men
Noon CSC Caddo

Jazz Band Concert

7:30 p.m. Akin Auditorium

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

MSU Tennis at LSC Postseason Tournament
All day Arlington, Texas

Women's Track

at John Jacobs Invitational
All day Norman, Oklahoma

Senior Exhibitions

All day Harvey Art Gallery

Softball at Western New Mexico

1 & 3 p.m. Silver City, New Mexico

Employee Recognition Celebration

3-5 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

MSU Tennis at LSC Postseason Tournament
All day Arlington, Texas

Women's Track

at John Jacobs Invitational
All day Norman, Oklahoma

Softball at Western New Mexico

Noon Silver City, New Mexico

MSU Texas Choir & WFSO

7:30 p.m. Memorial Auditorium

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AROUND CAMPUS

Earth Day 2023 Panel

Professor of English Todd Giles, Associate Professor of History Whitney Snow, and Chair of Geosciences Jonathan Price will each present short seminars on relative Earth Day topics from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, in CSC Kiowa. Topics discussed will include recycling, the history of Earth Day, and climate change. Contact [Julie Scales](#) at ext. 6274 for more information.

MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center Workshops

MOSAIC will host two workshops for training opportunities.

Donuts & Discussions: Words Matter discussion will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 19, in Clark Student Center Caddo. Words can make a difference in creating trust and a sense of belonging. Let's talk about how we can communicate in ways that are respectful to all human beings.

The **Lunch & Learn workshop**, "Strategies to Support the Physical & Mental Health of Black Men," will be a webinar at noon Thursday, April 20, in Clark Student Center Caddo. This workshop is designed to ground support of Black collegiate men in data and research. You will better understand the physical and mental health concerns and needs of Black men during their collegiate experience. This webinar will offer scalable strategies to incorporate initiatives, services, and practices that can enhance and support the overall development of Black men on your campus. You will have the opportunity to identify new resources and discover underutilized resources on your own campus.

The target audience for these optional educational sessions is MSU Texas faculty and staff, but the events are open to the entire MSU community. For more information and events, visit the [Professional Development](#) page. Email

[Ruby Garrett](#) or call ext. 4500 for more information.

Celebration of Scholarship and Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Forum

Faculty and graduate students will present their research from 1-5 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, in the Clark Student Center Atrium and meeting rooms. Undergraduate students will present their research in the Clark Student Center Atrium and meeting rooms from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday, April 20. Contact [Julie Scales](#) at ext. 6275 for more information.

Faculty Forum: Hardin Professor Lecture by Leann Curry

Dean of the West College of Education Leann Curry will present the next Faculty Forum: Hardin Professor Lecture. Her topic will be "Mutually Beneficial Professional Development Partnerships: Lessons from the Field" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, in Dillard 101. Curry was named Hardin Professor, Midwestern State's highest faculty honor, in 2020, but lecture was postponed due to Covid. Contact [Jonathan Price](#) at ext. 4288 for more information.

Jazz Band Concert

The Department of Music will present the Jazz Band in concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, in Akin Auditorium. Contact [Jessica Hulett](#) at ext. 4243 for more information.

Employee Recognition Celebration

Plan to join your colleagues as we recognize achievements of our faculty and staff from 3-5 p.m. Friday, April 21, in D.L. Ligon Coliseum. Campus offices will be closed for the celebration. Refreshments will be served. Contact the Human Resources office at ext. 4221 for more information.

Senior Exhibition

The Ralph and Juanita Harvey School of Art will present the Senior Exhibition in the

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MONDAY, APRIL 24

Women's Golf at LSC Championship
All day Thackerville, Oklahoma

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

Women's Golf at LSC Championship
All day Thackerville, Oklahoma

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

Women's Golf at LSC Championship
All day Thackerville, Oklahoma

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

MSU Tennis vs. Cameron
Noon MSU Tennis Center

Wind Ensemble & Orchestra Concert
7:30 p.m. Akin Auditorium

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Men's Tennis
at NCAA II South Central Regionals
TBA

Softball vs. St. Edward's
2 & 4 p.m. Mustangs Park

Honors Recognition Banquet
6:30 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

Theatre: The Merry Wives of Windsor
7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Men's Tennis
at NCAA II South Central Regionals
TBA

Softball vs. St. Edward's
Noon Mustangs Park

Theatre: The Merry Wives of Windsor
7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

Theatre: The Merry Wives of Windsor
2:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts
Center Theatre

MONDAY, MAY 1

**Women's Tennis at NCAA II South
Central Regionals**
TBA

The next *Update* will be published May 1, 2023. Please submit your information to public.information@msutexas.edu by **5 p.m. Thursday, April 27**, to be included in the next issue.

Juanita Harvey Art Gallery and in the Pit and Foyer galleries beginning Friday, April 21. The exhibition will be on display through May 19. A reception will be held from 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 12. Gallery hours are from 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call ext. 4243 for more information.

MSU Texas Choir & Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra

The MSU Texas Choir & Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra will present *Carmina Burana* at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 22, in Memorial Auditorium. [Email Jessica Hulett](#) or call ext. 4243 for more information. For tickets, visit the [Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra's website](#).

Wind Ensemble & Orchestra Concert

The Department of Music will present a Wind Ensemble and Orchestra Concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, in Akin Auditorium. [Email Jessica Hulett](#) or call ext. 4243 for more information.

Honors Recognition Banquet

The Midwestern State University Honors Recognition Banquet will be at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 28, in D. L. Ligon Coliseum. This event honors outstanding scholars and student leaders from the 2022-2023 academic year, including the announcement of the Hardin and Clark Scholars and Man and Woman of the Year.

Tickets to the Honors Recognition Banquet are only \$20 and are available for purchase at the CSC Information Desk. Cash and credit cards are accepted. Any MSU Texas departments wishing to purchase multiple tickets using an interdepartmental transfer (IDT) should contact Laura Salazar in the Office of Student Affairs at ext. 4291. The Banquet includes a full dinner; attire is semi-formal.

We hope you can join us in recognizing and supporting these amazing MSU Texas students on April 28. For additional information, please call ext. 7500 or visit room 108 in the Clark Student Center.

Theatre:

The Merry Wives of Windsor

The Department of Theatre will present the comedy *The Merry Wives of Windsor* at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 28-29, and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30, in Fain Fine Arts Center Theatre. Shakespeare's play centers on the comic romantic misadventures of Falstaff. General admission is \$10. Students, faculty, and staff admitted free. [Email Jessica Hulett](#) or call ext. 4243 for more information.

CAMPUS NEWS

Employee Education Incentive & Dependent Educational Assistance Programs

Applications are now being accepted for the Summer 2023 Staff Employee Education Incentive & Dependent Educational Assistance Programs. Applications can be found on the [Human Resources forms page](#).

Deadline dates to apply:

Summer I – Friday, June 2, 2023

Summer II – Friday, July 7, 2023

If this is your first time to enroll in the Dependent Program, please make sure to attach appropriate documentation for verification and that the FASFA has been completed for the current academic term (22/23). Acceptable documents for a dependent child include a birth certificate, tax return, and/or other legal documents as appropriate.

[Dependent Educational Assistance Policy – OP 52.65](#)

<https://public.powerdms.com/MidwesternState/tree/documents/2223897>

[Staff Employee Education Incentive Policy – OP 52.88](#)

<https://public.powerdms.com/MidwesternState/tree/documents/2224007>

A separate application must be submitted to Human Resources by the deadline date

for each semester. Late applications will not be considered. For more information [email Ivon Mendoza](#) in Human Resources or call ext. 4207.

Moffett Library annual research award

Moffett Library is once again offering research awards to recognize MSU Texas undergraduate students who demonstrate skill and creativity in using library resources (books, research databases, media, etc.) to write research papers. To be eligible, the paper must have been written when the student was an undergraduate or submitted by a current undergraduate student. At this time, graduate student submissions are not being accepted. The Spring 2023 submission deadline is **May 27, 2023**.

First place will receive a \$400 gift card and certificate. Second place will receive a \$300 gift card and certificate and third place a \$150 gift card and certificate. For group winners, the total prize amount will be divided equally. For more information, check out the [libguide](#).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Didzun Honors Recital

The Department of Music will present the Didzun Honors Recital at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, in Akin Auditorium. The recital features performances by singers, instrumentalists, and keyboardists – all students selected by their music teachers as the finest in their classes. Admission is free. [Email Jessica Hulett](#) or call ext. 4243 for more information.

Music: Terry Riley's *In C*

The Department of Music will present Terry Riley's *In C* at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 4, in Akin Auditorium. [Email Jessica Hulett](#) or call ext. 4243 for more information.

Senior Documentary Screening

The Department of Mass Communication will present screenings of senior documentaries at noon, Friday, May 12, in the Fain Fine Arts Center theatre. [Email Jessica Hulett](#) or call ext. 4243 for more information.

Senior Spirit Walk

The Senior Spirit Walk will be from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Friday, May 12. Graduating seniors will meet at their respective college and their dean and faculty will walk them to the Spirit of the Mustangs Plaza. A reception will follow in CSC Comanche. [Email Melissa Boerma](#) or call ext. 4226 for more information '.

Reception for Senior Exhibition

A reception for the Senior Exhibition will be held from 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 12, in the Juanita Harvey Art Gallery. [Email Steve Hilton](#) or call ext. 4270 for more information.

Spring Commencement

The MSU Texas commencement ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 13, in Kay Yeager Coliseum. Please meet at 9 a.m. in the back hallway in the MPEC to line up with your college. Faculty who need a special seating pass for spouses to sit in the reserved section #5, please request one from the Office of the Provost no later than Monday, May 1. Call the MSU Registrar's Office at ext. 4116 or visit the [commencement information webpage](#) for more information.

OSPR Summer 2023 Grants Academy

The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research Grants Academy will be live and in-person Tuesday-Thursday, May 16-18. The Grants Academy is an opportunity for professional development presented by the OSPR at MSU Texas with support from the National Institutes of Health. The Grants Academy equips faculty with crucial knowledge and skills for seeking and securing external funding for research and scholarly works. Participants will learn how to identify a potential funding source for an external project and craft initial elements of a proposal. Participants will receive one-on-one consultations with external grant professionals and have the opportunity to network with other faculty. More information can be found on the [Grants Academy webpage](#).

Please submit your application using the [Summer 2023 Grants Academy application web form](#). For more information contact [Brittany Norman](#). **Brief application required by April 28, 2023.**

This event is hosted as part of MSU's Sponsored Programs Administration Development grant, supported by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the National Institutes of Health under award number UC2GM137438.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Assistant Professor of Nursing **Melissa Witherspoon** was invited to present a poster at the National League of Nurses Nursing Education Research Conference held recently in Washington D.C. Witherspoon created the poster, "Empathy Training Through Role-Play Simulation," for a Doctor of Nursing Practice project.

JOBS

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Assistant Coach, Women's Soccer

Department: Athletics, Women's Soccer

Starting Date: May 1, 2023

Starting Salary: Commensurate with experience

Assistant to Associate Vice President, Facilities Services

Department: Facilities Services

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$2,716.58 monthly, plus benefits

Budget Specialist & Assistant to the Vice President for Administration & Finance

Department: Administration & Finance

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$3,020.67 monthly, plus benefits

Coordinator, Tutoring & Academic Support Programs

Department: tutoring & Academic Support Programs

Starting Date: June 1, 2023

Starting Salary: \$2,358.16 monthly, plus benefits

Information Security Officer

Department: Information Technology

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$4,902.92 monthly, plus benefits

Museum Facility Technician

Department: Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas

Starting Date: ASAP

Starting Salary: \$2,120.83 monthly, plus benefits



Bluebonnets on campus

Texas bluebonnets (*Lupinus texensis*) in bloom at the Bruce & Graciela Redwine Student Wellness Center. This species is one of six designated as the Texas state flower. *Lupinus texensis* is the iconic prairie species and is often used in highway rights-of-way. *Information and photo courtesy of MSU Texas grounds foreperson Jason Cooper.*