

## COMING UP

**MONDAY, MARCH 18**  
Classes Resume

**Women's Golf**  
at the Patriot Invitational  
All day Pebble Beach, California

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19**  
**Women's Golf**  
at the Patriot Invitational  
All day Pebble Beach, California

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**  
**Women's & Men's Tennis**  
vs Lubbock Christian  
1 p.m. MSU Tennis Center

**Red River Reading Series**  
4 p.m. CSC Kiowa

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**  
**WFMA at MSU Texas:**  
**On the Wall workshops**  
2-4 p.m. WFMA

**College Quiz**  
6:45-9 p.m. Sikes Lake Center

**Woodwind Studio Recital**  
7:30 p.m. Akin Auditorium

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**  
**Women's Tennis at St. Mary's**  
10 a.m. San Antonio, Texas

**Men's Tennis at St. Mary's**  
2 p.m. San Antonio, Texas

**Softball vs Oklahoma Christian**  
6 p.m. Mustangs Park

**SAFB vs MSU Rec Sports Basketball**  
6 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**  
**WFMA at MSU Texas:**  
**"Resiliency, Humility, Fortitude:  
Frank Gohlke's Aftermath"**  
All day WFMA

**Softball vs Oklahoma Christian**  
1 & 3 p.m. Mustangs Park

**MONDAY, MARCH 25**  
**Men's Golf**  
at Midwestern State Invitational  
All day Wichita Falls Country Club

**Women's Golf**  
at Hardscrabble Invitational  
All day Fort Smith, Arkansas

**TUESDAY, MARCH 26**  
**Men's Golf**  
at Midwestern State Invitational  
All day Wichita Falls Country Club

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## AROUND CAMPUS

### Maroon March

Show us your Maroon and Gold Spirit! Wear the MSU Texas Maroon and Gold and meet the Department of Marketing and Public Information at the following locations to receive your free swag – a new item each day!

**Tuesday through Thursday, March 19-21**  
Bridwell Activities Center Lobby  
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**Friday, March 22**  
Jesse Rogers Promenade  
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Red River Reading Series

The Red River Reading Series will present Latreanna Jackson, director of Clinical Teaching and Innovation, and students Gray and Liz Linguar in creative readings. Refreshments will be served. The readings will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, in CSC Kiowa. [Email John Schulze](#) or call ext. 6249 for more information.

### WFMA at MSU Texas workshop

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will host a mixed media collage workshop from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, March 21. This workshop will explore the "Fragments and Selected Scraps: The Works of Karsten Creightney" exhibition at the WFMA. Inspired by Creightney, participants will combine printmaking techniques and collage to create works of art. Bring in any previous paper artworks or collage materials to create your own unique piece. This workshop is a free event. Space is limited, [RSVP online](#). Education Coordinator Sarah Griego will be the instructor. Workshop is free and all supplies provided. Call the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

### Woodwind Studio Recital

The Department of Music will present a Studio Woodwind Recital at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 21, in Akin Auditorium. Call ext. 4267 for more information.

### Joint Operation Basketball

MSU Texas Recreational Sports will take on Sheppard Air Force Base in a basketball game at 6 p.m. Friday, March 22, in D.L. Ligon Coliseum. Admission is free. Call ext. 4466 for more information.

### WFMA at MSU Texas: Frank Gohlke's Aftermath

"Resiliency, Humility, Fortitude: Frank Gohlke's Aftermath" opens Saturday, March 23, at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas. The exhibition is of photographs that Gohlke took after the devastating tornado that hit Wichita Falls and North Texas and southern Oklahoma on April 10, 1979. The exhibition will be on display through July 13, 2024. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 1-5 p.m. Saturdays. Call the museum at 940-397-8900 for more information.

### Faculty Forum: Candice Fulton

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Candice Fulton will be the speaker for the next Faculty Forum at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 26, in Bridwell Activities Center's Lone Star Room. Her topic will be "ESCALA training: Increasing Relevance and Connection in the Classroom with Culturally Responsive Teaching." [Email Jonathan Price](#) or call ext. 4288 for more information.

### 10 UGROW projects open to student researchers

The UGROW student application window is now open through **March 27**. UGROW will run from May 28 to July 3. Students apply to this program to be part of a specific mentor-led project. This year features projects in political science, chemistry, computer science, geoscience, and engineering.

The [list of projects and descriptions](#) is posted online. Interested undergraduate students should apply to the program. Those

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**Women's Golf  
at Hardscrabble Invitational**  
All day Fort Smith, Arkansas

**Faculty Forum: Candice Fulton**  
7 p.m. BAC 120

**THURSDAY, MARCH 28**  
**Holiday break**  
No classes

**Softball vs Eastern New Mexico**  
2 & 4 p.m. Mustangs Park

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29**  
**Holiday break**  
No classes

**Softball vs Eastern New Mexico**  
Noon Mustangs Park

**Women's Tennis vs Angelo State**  
Noon MSU Tennis Center

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**  
**Women's Tennis  
vs Texas A&M-Kingsville**  
1 p.m. MSU Tennis Center

selected will engage in a week of workshop activities followed by a monthlong, faculty-directed research project. They will have an opportunity to share their results during the program and at a final symposium.

Visit the [UGROW webpage](#) for program details. The application and guidelines are in the helpful links on the sidebar. Contact Jonathan Price at [UGROW@msutexas.edu](mailto:UGROW@msutexas.edu) for more information.

## CAMPUS NEWS

### Fulton, Hilton recipients of Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching & Research Awards

Assistant Professor of Chemistry Candice Fulton and Professor of Art Steve Hilton were awarded the 2024 Texas Tech University System Chancellor's Council Distinguished Teaching and Research Awards. The awards were presented March 1 by TTU System Chancellor Tedd L. Mitchell, M.D., and MSU Texas President Stacia Haynie. Read more about [Fulton](#) and [Hilton](#) in the MSU Texas news.

### MSU Texas celebrates Bolin renovation with ceremonial groundbreaking ceremony

MSU Texas hosted a ceremonial groundbreaking Feb. 29 for the much-anticipated renovations and expansion of Bolin Science Hall. Texas Tech University System Board of Regents and administrators and Texas legislators joined MSU Texas officials and members of the James N. McCoy Foundation to celebrate the occasion. Read more about [Bolin Science Hall renovations](#) in the MSU Texas news.

### New programs approved by TTU System Board of Regents

The Texas Tech University System Board of Regents approved new degree programs in political science, electrical engineering and industrial technology for Midwestern State University (MSU Texas) during its regularly scheduled Feb. 29-March 1 meeting held on the MSU Texas campus. Learn more about the programs at MSU Texas News.

### Online edu helped investigator complete educational journey

Karen Box started her college journey nearly 30 years ago. It was a different world in many ways. She had enjoyed a successful career in law enforcement and raised a family. She is an investigator in Franklin, Texas. But she still had the desire to finish college. She heard about MSU Texas while attending the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement conference in Corpus Christi. When her son graduated from Abilene Christian University, she decided it was time for her to complete her education and she reached out to MSU Texas. Read more about [Box's nontraditional road](#) in the MSU Texas news.

### From MSU Texas to Dallas Cowboys cheerleader and beyond

Marion Cooper Napoleon, a native of Wichita Falls, is a Midwestern State University alumna who has found great success in life by turning lemons into lemonade and pain into purpose. Marion earned an associate degree from MSU Texas in 1984 and a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education with a major in Computer Science in 1985. [Read more about Napoleon](#) in the MSU Texas news.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### WFMA at MSU Texas: Artist reception & talk

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will host a reception and artist talk for Karsten Creightney from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, April 4. Creightney's exhibition is "Fragments and Selected Scraps: The Works of Karsten Creightney." He is Assistant Professor of Printmaking at the University of New Mexico. He works in multiple media combining prints, paint, photographs and found materials to create images that capture the partly lived, partly imagined sense of place experienced in memory. His work is in the collection of the Arkansas Arts Center, Cleveland Museum of Art, Detroit Institute of Arts, Flint Institute of Arts, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Minneapolis Institute of

Arts, Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Springfield Art Museum and numerous other institutions. The exhibition will be on display through Sept. 28, 2024. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 1-5 p.m. Saturdays. Call the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

### **Employee Recognition Celebration**

The Employee Recognition Celebration will be from 3-5 p.m. Friday, April 5, in D.L. Ligon Coliseum. Join your colleagues as we recognize achievements of faculty and staff. Campus offices will be closed during this time. Contact the Human Resources office at ext. 4221 for more information.

### **Percussion Ensemble Concert**

The Department of Music will host a Percussion Ensemble Concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, in Akin Auditorium. Call ext. 4267 for more information.

### **WFMA at MSU Texas workshop**

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will host a paper making workshop from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, April 11 and 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 27. Instructor will be guest artist Stephanie Rhodes. Space is limited. [RSVP online](#). Workshops are free and all supplies provided. Call the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

### **Wind Ensemble & Orchestra Concert**

The Department of Music will host a Wind Ensemble & Orchestra Concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 16, in Akin Auditorium. Call ext. 4267 for more information.

### **Celebration of Scholarship/UGRAAF**

The Dr. Billie Doris McAda Graduate School, the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research, and the Office of Undergraduate Research will host the Celebration of Scholarship and Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Forum Wednesday and Thursday, April 17-18, in the Bridwell Activities Center and Clark Student Center. This two-day event is a showcase for research, scholarship, and creative activity which brings together faculty, and graduate and undergraduate students from all disciplines to share posters, oral, or creative presentations with the MSU Texas and Wichita Falls community. Presentations are evaluated by MSU Texas faculty and winners receive recognition. Contact [Julie Scales](#) or call ext. 6274 for more information.

### **Senior Exhibition**

The culmination of collegiate artwork by graduating MSU Texas art students will be on display in the Juanita Harvey Art Gallery, and the pit and foyer galleries in the Fain Fine Arts Building.

A reception will be held from 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 10, in the gallery. The exhibition will be on display through 5 p.m. Friday, May 17. Gallery hours are from 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call ext. 4264 for more information.

### **Harlan Steph Counseling Conference**

The Gordon T. & Ellen West College of Education will host the Harlan Steph Counseling Conference from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, April 19, at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas. The speaker will be Kristy Donaldson. She is a certified Enneagram coach, certified child and family Enneagram coach, animal-assisted counseling ambassador, and the owner of Premier Neurofeedback & Counseling Services PLLC. Her topic will be "Utilizing Play Therapy through the Lifespan." There will be a lunch break from noon-1 p.m.

The price is \$15 for students and \$50 for professionals. [Register for Steph Conference here](#).

Harlan Steph came to Hardin College in 1943 to teach chemistry and physical education. He pursued a doctorate in education in the late 1940s and was Professor of Education from 1949-1956. In addition to teaching, he was Dean of Men from 1946-1956. He and his wife were house parents in the dorm that is now Memorial Hall. From 1956-1978, he was Professor of Education, and founded the counselor education program. He received the Faculty Award in 1978 and named Professor Emeritus of Education and Psychology in 1979. Steph was known throughout the community for his tireless and unselfish work with young people, especially delinquent and emotionally disturbed children. The first Harlan Steph Conference was held in 1979 in recognition of his contributions to the counseling field at MSU Texas and is held each spring to inform and encourage those in the education counseling field.

## **IN THE SPOTLIGHT**

The Board of Regents approved the following changes in rank and tenure.

#### **Tenured faculty promoted to full professor West College of Education**

- Kym Acuña
- Emily Reeves Fyfe

#### **McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering**

- Yu Guo

#### **Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences**

- Whitney Snow

#### **Tenure and Promotion to Professor**

#### **Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services**

- Michael Olson

### Tenure and Promotion to Associate Professor

#### Dillard College of Business Administration

- Sanchari Choudhury
- Jiazi Luo

#### Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences

- Hillary Coenen
- Kyung Gagum
- Juheon Lee

#### Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services

- Erica Judie
- Tammy Kurszewski

#### Granted Staff Emeritus Status

- Bill Maskill

The Department of Athletic Training and Exercise Physiology was represented well at the Texas Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine held Feb. 22-23 in Waco, Texas. Nine students presented and/or represented MSU Texas in the student quiz bowl. Assistant Professor of Athletic Training & Exercise Physiology **Brett Crossland** and Department Chair **Michael Olson** accompanied the students. Senior **Brittany Coltrain** was recognized as the MSU Texas Student of the Year.

Master's student poster presenters were:

- **Shivaniba Gohil** – Olson mentor
- **Breanna Leary** – Crossland mentor
- **Noah Reinertz** – Crossland mentor

Undergraduate student poster presenters:

- **Connor Hill** – Olson mentor
- **Brittany Coltrain** – Olson mentor
- **Heriberto Torres** – Olson mentor

Quiz Bowl Members:

- **Carlos Casados Mendoza**
- **Esther Coronado**
- **Hannah Early**
- **Brittany Coltrain**
- **Connor Hill**
- **Heriberto Torres**

## WELCOME

#### Cedric Leonard

Assistant Coach, Football

#### Jacob Garcia

Custodian, Facilities Services

#### Andrea Jansen

Administrative Assistant, Residence Life and Housing

#### Janea Reed

Academic Recruitment Specialist, Graduate School

The next *Update* will be published April 1, 2024. Please submit your information to [public.information@msutexas.edu](mailto:public.information@msutexas.edu) by **5 p.m. Thursday, March 28**, to be included in the next issue.