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MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
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WELCOME TO THE 2023 GREAT PLAINS HONORS COUNCIL CONFERENCE

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WELCOME GPHC ATTENDEES!

Welcome to the 2023 Great Plains Honors Council Annual Conference. Our theme, Powered by the Liberal Arts, embodies the mission of MSU Texas as the Public Liberal Arts institution in the state of Texas, as well as the greater honors mission to maintain academic excellence, community, and bounded freedom. Welcome to MSU Texas as we showcase honors student research and the Liberal Arts, broadly speaking.

Students presenting at this year's Great Plains Honors Council conference are studying everything from "The Relationship between the Amygdala and the Prefrontal Cortex in Social Anxiety Disorder" to "Impact of the Digital Divide in Education." Posters presented at the Great Plains Honors Council will examine such fascinating topics as body image, cryptocurrency, Native America suicide rates, and an mRNA Vaccine for H.I.V.

As this research indicates, the Great Plains Honors community has emerged from the pandemic stronger. These engaging presentations exemplify the power of the Liberal Arts. We thank you and welcome you to MSU Texas.

Steve Garrison, Midwestern State University Redwine Honors Program Director



GPHC 2023



**FRIDAY
MARCH 10**



Clark Student Center, MSU Campus

- 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Conference Registration
- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Poster Set up
- 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. Poster Session
- 6:00 – 7:45 p.m. Welcome Dinner
- 7:45 – 8:00 p.m. Moderator training
- 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. GPHC Trivia Battle

**SATURDAY
MARCH 11**



Dillard College of Business Administration, MSU Campus

- 6:00 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast at hotel
- 7:45 – 9:00 a.m. Shuttles Run continuously between Hotel and MSU Campus, Dillard Building
- 8:30 – 9:20 a.m. Boe Award Presentation 101/121 Dillard
- 9:30 – 10:20 a.m. Presentation Session I, Dillard
- 10:30 – 11:20 a.m. Presentation Session II, Dillard
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Lunch Break
- 12:15 – 1:05 p.m. Presentation Session III, Dillard
- 1:05 – 1:15 p.m. Meet Excursion buses in Dillard Parking lot
- 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. Excursions, Buses will drop off at the hotels
- 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Dinner, Clark Student Center
- 8:00-10:00 p.m. Z Dawg's Karaoke & GPHC Grand Prix

SUNDAY MARCH 12



Hampton Inn

- 8:00 a.m. GPHC Business Meeting

SPEAKERS



STEVE HILTON, M.F.A.

Steve Hilton earned his MFA at Arizona State University (2005). He also holds degrees in Art Education and Environmental Geology from Missouri State University. He has taught science and art at the secondary and post-secondary levels, and his work has been collected by museums, universities and individuals in Korea, Slovenia, Thailand, Australia, Austria, Portugal, China, Japan, Canada, Italy, Germany, Romania, the United States, and Cuba. He has been juried and invited into over 200 international and national exhibitions in conjunction with curated exhibitions in the United States. Steve is The Fain Professor of Fine Arts in ceramics and art education at MSU Texas and is a member of the International Academy of Ceramics and a Fellow of the Council of NCECA (The National Council on the Education for the Ceramic Arts).

DR. GAGUM LEE, PH.D.

Dr. Kyung Lee Gagum was born in South Korea. She and her family moved to Germany when she was a child, and she grew up in Germany. She came as a young adult to the USA to study. She interrupted her studies to serve in the US Army for seven years. After receiving her PhD. in Transcultural German Studies from the University of Arizona in 2017, she joined, as a Teaching Assistant Professor, the Department of Germanic & Slavic Languages & Literatures at UNC at Chapel Hill. In August 2019, she then joined the World Languages and Cultures Department at Midwestern State University Texas as an Assistant Professor of German.

Her research focuses on the transculturation of German literature in the Japanese and Korean visual culture of manga and manhwa, with a particular interest in how German Romanticism prompted the creation of new genre fusions with distinct educational goals in contemporary Japanese and Korean popular culture. She is interested in multiliteracy approach in the German language classroom and in an inclusive curriculum with the focus on German-Korean literature and culture, in particular Korean guest workers in Germany. Being a multilingual and having lived in three continents, she centers her research and teaching in the visibility of multilingualism and fosters a learning environment that values diversity, inclusion, and decolonizing the curriculum through several interwoven pedagogical strategies and considerations.



POSTER SESSION

4:00 – 5:30 P.M.

HUMANITIES

Power Relationships and a Convention of States: An Analysis of the Potential Impacts Resulting from a Convention of States

Vincent Crowson | McLennan Community College

The Value of a Copy: How the Incorporation of Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise in a Midwestern Museum Represents a Significant Cultural and Artistic Gain.

Noah Fansler | University of Missouri Kansas City

Implicit Dream: The Texas Dairy Business and Its Long History of Deferred Excellence

Alyssa Ochoa | Northeast Texas Community College

Tunnel Vision: How Stigmas Shape Mental Health

Chloe Thorburn | McLennan Community College

PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Machine Learning and its Applications to Recommendation Systems

Ben Burns | University of Texas at Tyler

Occupational Therapy's Impact on Mental Health: Chasing Humanity

Jenna Crocker | Texas Woman's University

COVID-19 Death in Tom Green County: effect of age, sex, and vaccination

Hannah Duhon | Angelo State University

Using Simulation to Advance LGBTQ+ Cultural Competency within Undergraduate Nursing Students

Geryk Garcia | Texas Woman's University

Time Dilation

Jason May | San Jacinto College

LGBTQ+ Youth in Schools with a Focus on the Effects on their Mental Health and Safety

Arianna Olivo, Carlos Perez, & Nayla Samaniego | San Jacinto College

The Difference in Healthcare Experiences between African-Immigrant Women and Black American Women: An Integrative Review

Somatta Pokharel | Texas Woman's University

Examining the Policies of The Affordable Care Act on Impoverished, African American Cancer Patients in Clinical Trials: A Review of the Literature

Elizabeth Ragan | West Texas A&M University

Gun Violence in Schools

Isabel Santos, Elizabeth Arriaga, & Rissa Marshall | San Jacinto College

Carroll Hall Shelby: Emissary of the Muscle Car

Evan Sears | Northeast Texas Community College

STEM

The Influence of Melatonin Signaling in Tissue-cultured Neurons

Katrina Basore | Emporia State University

POSTER SESSION, CONT.

4:00 – 5:30 P.M.

The Effect of Fructose-1, 6-Bisphosphatases in Autophagy Upregulation

James Bautista | Angelo State University

The Removal of RIG-I in HeLa Cells to Screen for Coxiella burnetii Targets of Innate Immunity Suppression

Jocelyn Bent | Angelo State University

Hydrogen Bonds: An Essential Part of Life

Zoe Chu | San Jacinto College

Analyzing the Potential of Solar Power Within Developing Nations

Delaney Cruzan | Rose State College

The Relationship of Tree Canopy Cover and Urban Temperatures

Symone Franks | University of Missouri Kansas City

Efficacy of Antioxidant Treatment for Oxidative Stress Contribution to Alzheimer's

Deja Hardy | Angelo State University

Detailed Mapping of the Geologic Controls on Karst Development in the Central Edwards Plateau

Cassidy Hill | Angelo State University

Developing an Effective HIV Vaccine: A Research Proposal to Develop a mRNA Vaccine for HIV Using a Chimpanzee Model

Nicolas Khouri | Lone Star College- Montgomery

SAGA is a dynamic circadian complex involved in Spinocerebellar ataxia type 7

Jessica Kim | University of Missouri Kansas City

Efficacy of a Plant-Derived Polymeric Drug Delivery System Used to Deliver Antibiotics to Produce Cytotoxic Effects on Bacteria

Alyssa H. Kohler | Tarleton State University

Research Paper Summarization Using Cosine Similarity

Ethan McCarthy | University of Texas at Tyler

Bringing Math off the Page with 3D Prints

Genesis Ramos | San Jacinto College

A presentation on the synthesis and use of carbon quantum dot

Zakary Royka | Rose State College

Identification of the Source of C. perfringens Contamination of Yogurt

Wyatt Schaefer | University of Texas at Tyler

Power Plants: The Transfer of Power for Human Use

Brian Sharpe | San Jacinto College

Perfluorocarbon Utilization for Oxygen Delivery to Cancerous Cells

Lawson Spence | Drury University

Microcytic and Macrocytic Anemia Related Morbidity

Madison Stephens | Drury University

Designing a Reagent for Multiple, Consecutive Titrations in One Vessel

Jolie West | University of Texas at Tyler

Does Corticotropin Releasing Hormone induce miRNA-200b Gene Expression from Exosomes of Triple Negative Breast Cancer

Olinda Zusinas | University of Texas at Tyler

POSTER SESSION, CONT.

4:00 – 5:30 P.M.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

The Relationship between Christian Beliefs, Patriarchal Systems, & Traditional Conservative Values

Kelyne Arnold & Amerson Meyers | University of Texas at Tyler

“Un Paso A La Vez”: Fostering Mental Health Equity in San Antonio

Yulissa Carrillo, Ximena Carrillo, Jazette Tellez, & Juana Ramirez | Texas A&M University–San Antonio

Introduction to Cryptocurrency

Ethan Collins | University of Texas at Tyler

Attachment Styles and the Relationship to Academic Fulfillment

Wren Cook, Vivian Tavarez, & Savannah Fitch | University of Texas at Tyler

Adolescent Activities and Undergraduate Cognition in Women

Abbi Fyffe, Cate Kimball, Julissa Plancarte, & Akshaya Suresh | University of Texas at Tyler

Body Image and Sex

Maxwell Hamblin | Southeastern Oklahoma State University

The Effect of ACE Scores on the Likelihood of IBS in Young Adults

Makayla Hallacy | Emporia State University

Influence on Infant Attachment on Introversion and Extroversion: A Quantitative Approach

Olivia Lester | Tyler Junior College

My Heart Hurts: Examining the Impact of Gender on How Parents Socialize Emotions in Children Facing Social and Emotional Hardships

Abigail Long | Texas Woman’s University

Comparison Study of 1999–2020 Native American Suicide Rate across the United States

Emma Quintana | Southeastern Oklahoma State University

The effects of Cannabis on Adolescents’ Brain Development

Milena Rundine | Rose State College

The Church that Should Never Be: The Rise of Cowboy Congregations

Aubrey Watkins | Northeast Texas Community College

Boe Award Winners

OVER 60 HOURS | 8:30-9:20 A.M. | 101 DILLARD

SARAH KEELING | ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY
MANICHAISM IN REBECCA WEST'S "INDISSOLUBLE MATRIMONY"

While feminist-centered critiques of Rebecca West's "Indissoluble Matrimony" have undeniable validity, they fail to fully encompass the wider range of possible interpretations. West employs Manichaeism, and taking this ancient religion into account results in more nuanced understanding of West's ties to Modernism and duality within the text.

MACKENZIE THOMAS | ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY
EFFECTS OF GRIFOLA FRONDOSA SECRETIONS ON TUMORIGENIC AND NON-TUMORIGENIC MAMMARY EPITHELIAL CELLS

In these experiments, mushroom secretions from *G. frondosa* cause significant differences in viability between triple-negative breast cancer cells and non-tumorigenic breast cells.

NICHOLAS WHITE | SOUTHEASTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY
AN IN SITU LIPID EXTRACTION OF HUMAN PLASMA USING A THETA TIP-BASED INTERFACIAL MICROREACTOR

This paper explores the epoxidation reaction which is accelerated by interfacial chemistry via microdroplets. One goal of this paper is to find a solvent system which extracts the most lipids. The solvents must be adjusted to ensure an epoxidation of double bonds can occur for lipid characterization.

Under 60 Hours | 8:30-9:20 A.M. | 121 Dillard

KIMIYA NOOR | EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY
EPIGENOMICS IN CHILDHOOD-ONSET DIABETES THERAPY: A CRITICAL REVIEW

This paper summarizes recent scientific research regarding the effects of epigenetics on Type 1 Diabetes pathogenesis Treatment. The review attempts to establish a clear connection between environmental triggers, the epigenetic modifications that follow, and the clinical benefits of them in juvenile diabetes.

WILLIAM CADE SELLERS | LONE STAR COLLEGE - MONTGOMERY
ACCOMMODATING CONSCIOUSNESS: HOW SHOULD WE CONCEPTUALIZE THE MIND IN A PHYSICAL REALITY?

To determine whether a full account of consciousness is within the purview of our current scientific framework, this research investigates how the mind should be conceptualized within a substantively physical reality. Results found "weak emergence" insufficient to account for consciousness suggesting our present scientific methodology is incapable of deriving consciousness.

ESBEIDY TORRES IBARRA | LONE STAR COLLEGE HONORS COLLEGE-KINGWOOD
BOUND TO THE UNION INSTEAD OF THE COTTON BELT: HOW HENRY CLAY, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, AND THE HEMP INDUSTRY CONVINCED KENTUCKY TO REMAIN IN THE UNITED STATES

This study assesses Kentucky's hemp industry, aiming to explore the correlation, perhaps even causation, between slave-aided hemp production and Kentucky's decision to remain in the Union during the Civil War. This analysis subsequently encourages research regarding how an economic identity impacts a population's relationship with the past and the present.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS SESSION I

9:30 – 10:20 A.M.

PANEL A – 121 DILLARD

Brian Cattell | Out of Service: The Struggle of the EMS Worker

Ayse Holt | Improving Yeast Hormone Assay Sensitivity for Identification of Endocrine Disrupting Activity

Celee Smith | Comparison of Lactobacillus Reuteri Probiotic and Mechanical Treatment in Treating Periodontal Disease in Pregnant Women to Improve Maternal Oral Health and Birth Outcomes.

Caitlin Tidmore | A Comprehensive Study of the Iodine Clock Reaction

PANEL B – 129 DILLARD

Valeria Guzman Cesar | Transexuality in Times of Sport

Diana Perez | Womontown

Ana Snell | At the Intersection of Deaf and Queer: Where Two Minorities Connect

Calia Walker | What types of Diplomacy can be Implemented to Improve the Lives of Queer People in Religious Majority Countries?

PANEL C – 175 DILLARD

Chelsie Baldwin | The Portrayal of Toxic Relationships in Young Adult Literature and their Effect on Adolescents

Alexis Castro | The Sad Gaze and Sad Gays in Maurice: Idealized Purity and Hedonistic Homosexual Liberation

Brandon Goins | Queer Lit on PAR: A Positive Assimilation Rubric for Queer YA Literature

Maxwell Hamblin | Queer Indigenous Identity

PANEL D – 178 DILLARD

Alex Balaban | The Necessity of Sleep: The Physiological Side Effects of Sleep Deprivation and the Benefits of a Healthy Sleep Schedule

Megan Fleitman | The Relationship between the Amygdala and the Prefrontal Cortex in Social Anxiety Disorder

Madison Klement | A National Crisis: The Psychology Behind School Shootings

Erika Pevia | Mood Memory

PANEL E – 323 DILLARD

Katherine H Leigh | Utopia on the High Seas: Depictions of Race Relations in Polly

Danna Munguia | MICKEY MOUSE INCLUSIVE CLUBHOUSE: A CULTURAL CRITICISM OF ENCANTO

Vanessa Rodriguez | Who Owns History? The Interpretations of the Battle of the Alamo in American and Mexican History

Nathaniel Victoriano | Coconuts for America: Creating a Cultural Identity in the West through Filipino Dance

ORAL PRESENTATIONS SESSION I, CONT.

9:30 – 10:20 A.M.

PANEL F- 328 DILLARD

Rachel Kuehnle | The Likelihood of Different Genders and Races to Seek Academic Mentoring

Savanah Rendon | The Rare Impact Model

PANEL G – 329 DILLARD

Lane Bell | Fantastic, Friendly Fungi: Examining a Modern Solution to the Exponential Waste Problem

Alisa Funke | Benefits of a Vegetarian Diet on the Environment

Sarah McDonald | Food Waste and Insecurity: An In-Depth Analysis

PANEL H – 336 DILLARD

Mark Cabalquinto | Social and Economic Factors of Gentrification in Texas

Anthony Ibarra | The Value of Poverty; A Retrospective Autobiographical Photo Essay of The Movement of Economic Class

Datron White | To Help Your Brother Out

PANEL I – 338 DILLARD

Skyler Beatty | Collectivism, Capitalism, and the Common Good

Madelyn Eatley | Freedom of VS Freedom from: Religion and Social Power in the United States and France

Olivia Matthews | Money Has Power: How the Decline of the Economy in Postwar America Affected Violent Crime in the 1970s

Kelsey Roberson | Crises for Freedom: The Endurance of Social Reforms

ORAL PRESENTATIONS SESSION II

10:30 – 11:20 A.M.

PANEL A – 121 DILLARD

Addison Anderson | Hydrogels and Determination of Correct Concentration and Methods

Jenna Baldwin | Social Factors Affecting ACL Rehabilitation: A Case Study

Madison Mayben | Cold Water Immersion Therapy for Optimizing Athletic Return to Sport

Mariia Shevchenko | Pectin as a Biomaterial Replacement for Petroleum-based Plastics

PANEL B – 129 DILLARD

Vincent Crowson | Moshin Hamid and Counter Terrorism: A Non-Euclidean Power Approach

Chloe Hardeman | The Movement Towards the Left in Chile

Andres Revis | Colombia's Post-FARC Environment: Amazon Deforestation, Environmental Killings, and the Institutional-Environmental Nexus

Alexandria Smoot | Child Soldiers and Stolen Innocence

PANEL C – 175 DILLARD

Rae Holden | Impact of the Digital Divide in Education

Sasha A. Joy | Public School Teacher Shortage: Causes, Consequences, and Solutions

Jackelyn Cruz Lopez | Gifted Students of Color and Academic Success

Marley Rokas | Reforming the Logistical Protections of Teachers Against Harassment

PANEL D – 178 DILLARD

Debany Gomez Sanchez | How Twilight Romanticizes Rape Culture

Katherine Spitzer | "I Am His Fortune's Vassal": Cleopatra, Fortuna, and the Warning Against Women in Power

Tabitha Tudor | Patriarchy in Charlotte Perkins Gilman's "The Yellow Wallpaper": The Imprisonment of Women by The Mouth Of Men

PANEL E – 323 DILLARD

Delainee Gibson | Behind the Shelves: A Financial Investigation into COVID-19's effect on the Supermarket Industry

Elisa Gutierrez | The Effects of the COVID Pandemic on Texas Delinquency Rates

Neida Perez | Captive State: Texas' Futile Wars against Microbes

Karen Vallejos | Are We Ready For the Next Pandemic? An Analysis on the Effectiveness of Texas's Epidemic Response Plan to Ebola and Covid-19

ORAL PRESENTATIONS SESSION II, CONT.

10:30 – 11:20 A.M.

PANEL F- 328 DILLARD

David George | Realistic Hydraulic Design

Brett McManus | Discovery, Classification, and Characteristics of Potentially Habitable Exoplanets

Omar Rivera | The Impact of Vector Fields and Topographic Maps in Life

Kazune Tazawa | Pure Bending of Honeycomb Core

PANEL G – 329 DILLARD

Yennifer Cortes | Music: A Catalyst to Action

Skylar Fondren | The Autistic Experience: Music Edition

Samuel Jensen | Qualifying Schenker's Theory: A Critical Evaluation of the Premises of Schenker's Theory

Ebele Mgbemena | Analyzing the Self-Perception of Composers as Musical Storytellers

PANEL H – 336 DILLARD

Tyranica Casey | FREEDOM WRITERS: A Critical Analysis of the Complexities of White Saviorhood

Camila Cobos | Dissociative Identity Disorder in Film: Analyzing the Societal Impact of Moon Knight's DID Portrayal

Caris Gray | Irene Adler: Effects of Environment on Character Creation and Portrayal

Meredith Reaves | Scott Pilgrim vs. Changing Societal Norms

PANEL I – 338 DILLARD

Meztly Diaz | The Virginal Burden: Navigating the Intersection of Consumer Beauty, Hairless Bodies, and the Virgin Mary

Colton Kelley | "Can you repeat that, please?"; ERP Learning Outcomes by Teaching Method

Emily Odle | Got Milk? Economic Factors Impacting Milk Prices, 1999-2022

Theo Raitzer | Amazon's Union-Busting Rhetoric: How the Company Shifts Worker's Frames around Organized Labor

PANEL J – 343 DILLARD

Chinecherem Ihenacho | Strength in Community Unification

Mykhailo Mazalevskiy | Sustainable Public Transit: A Comparative Analysis of Electric Bus Systems in Houston and Shenzhen

Dnyanada Patil | The Transportation Management of the UT Tyler School of Medicine

Valentina Zarraga Ramirez | Car Dependency and the Transportation System in Houston, Texas

ORAL PRESENTATIONS SESSION III

12:15 – 1:05 P.M.

PANEL A – 121 DILLARD

Lexi Dominguez | Frequency and Disease Status for Starlet Corals in Roatan, Honduras

Francisco Fuentes | Assessing the Impacts of Winter Storm Uri on Texas Birds

Isabel Rodriguez | Sediment Pollution in the Spearford Gully

Abigail Unger | Sediment Grain Size at Cypress Creek and Faulkey Gully

PANEL B – 129 DILLARD

Vincent Crowson | “Hester Prynne and Holden Caulfield: An Analysis of Productive Power Gender Stratification”

Elliott Smith | KCUR: Public Media in Kansas City

Carson Holt | Matthew's Beatitudes as Eschatological Blessings

Vallerie Morfin | Nineteenth Century Dating and Courtship

PANEL C – 175 DILLARD

Zetta Cannedy & Addison Elliott | Recent Trends in International Environmental Agreements: Declining or What?

Polina Protozanova | Power of Education: The Role of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education in Russian Foreign Policy

Rachel Schnakenberg | Framing Idealized Stigma Management: An Analysis of Liberal Arts and Humanities Education Defense in Online Student Articles

PANEL D – 178 DILLARD

Erick Becerril | Abortion Rights in Gridlock: Asserting the US Senate's Response to Dobbs During the Era of the Filibuster

Zoe Caruso | The Partisan Divide: A Philosophical Analysis of the Supreme Court Confirmation Process

PANEL E – 323 DILLARD

Brecklyn McMinn & Reagan Lytle | Italian Study Abroad Experience

Sam Pollan | Regional Legends and Cinema: Filming the Story of the Texas Suffragettes

Christopher Shelley | Chris Unplugged

Fernando Soria | Scientific Literacy

ORAL PRESENTATIONS SESSION III, CONT.

12:15 – 1:05 P.M.

PANEL F- 328 DILLARD

Bradlee Azaura | Complex Biological Machines: An Examination of the Mind Body Problem

Sydney Joy Dado | The Flaws of Regret in The Midnight Library

Caylin Watson | More Than A Picture

PANEL G – 329 DILLARD

Kate Christian | Personalizing History: Using Avatars to Explore the Early American Republic

Madison Isenberg | Volksdrogen: The Third Reich Powered by Methamphetamine

Ashley Loreda | Chili: The Melting Pot of North America

Alexander de Rivas | The Cold War Evolution of Tank Warfare: NATO versus Soviet Bloc Technology

PANEL H – 336 DILLARD

Maryam Ghazi | Ladies of the Klan, Sisters of the Panthers

Kai Jones | The Role of Women in Ancient Greece: A Mythological Perspective

Paola Padilla | Unholy Mothers: The Patriarchy's Judgment of La Llorona and Andrea Yates

PANEL I – 338 DILLARD

Brylee Grubb Erwin | The Benefits of Psychedelics: How Psychedelics can Help with PTSD

Chirag Gupta | Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma and Its Impact on 9/11 First Responders

Reese Matthew | National Driver Shortage and Houston's Solid Waste Management

Funminiye Oluwaniyi | Harnessing the Power of the Atom – The Case for Nuclear Energy

PANEL J – 343 DILLARD

Darla Faz | The Hijab in Iran

Nathalie Del Olmo | The Heroic Ideal of Buddhism: Narrative Strategies in Bharhut Reliefs

Jewels Seeger | The Search for the Spirit: A Contextual Analysis of the Christianization of Canadian Shamanism

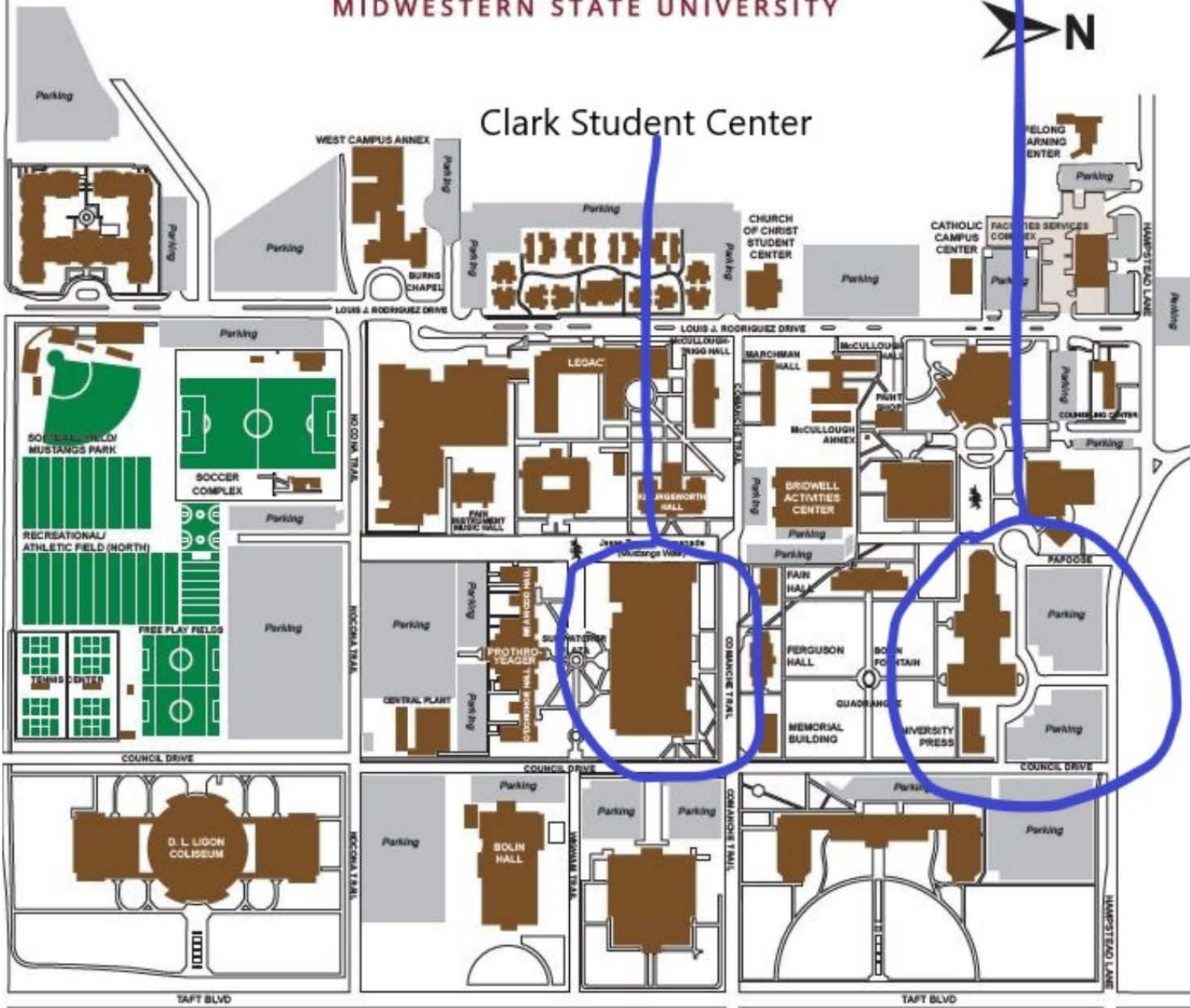
Ashley Svendsen | Santa Muerte: Saint of Catholic & Aztec Philosophy

MSU TEXAS CAMPUS MAP

To Hotels



Dillard College of Business



MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY



Since its founding in 1922, Midwestern State University has grown from a local junior college to a regional state university serving a wide and varied public.

Created in 1922 as Wichita Falls Junior College, the second municipal junior college in Texas, its earliest home was in Wichita Falls High School with which it shared both the building and faculty. Later, a legislative act and a vote of the people of Wichita Falls set up a separate tax district to support the junior college.

In 1937, the college acquired a new, 40-acre campus of its own on the south side of town. Rising above the pastures and wheat fields was the recently finished Hardin Building, an impressive Spanish colonial structure which was presided over by a lofty bell tower. Also in that year the college was renamed Hardin Junior College in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Hardin.

During World War II, the establishment of Sheppard Field, later renamed Sheppard Air Force Base, added to the college's public. Since that time, air base personnel and their families have been continuing participants in the campus academic programs.

The post World War II years brought more change in the school's mission and in its name. In 1946, the senior college division was added and accordingly the name was altered to Hardin College. In January 1950, the name changed to Midwestern University, the junior division remaining Hardin Junior College. In these years, wider recognition came to the school. In March 1948, the university became a member of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. In January 1959, the university added a graduate school, which received full approval from the State Board of Education in August of that year.

A further change in the school's status came September 1, 1961, when by action of the 56th Legislature of the State of Texas, Midwestern University became a part of the Texas Colleges and Universities System and the junior college division was dissolved. In 1975, the Texas Legislature changed the name to Midwestern State University.

From its beginnings as a municipal junior college housed in a high school building, Midwestern has become a state university whose campus of 255 acres and 70 buildings offers a wide variety of academic programs in liberal and fine arts, mathematics, sciences, business, and applied sciences.

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