

From mid-June through mid-July, I had the opportunity to travel to East and West Africa. These trips afforded me some excellent opportunit0.00000912 0 612 792 reW*nØMC /Span #MCID 0/Lang (en-US)✘

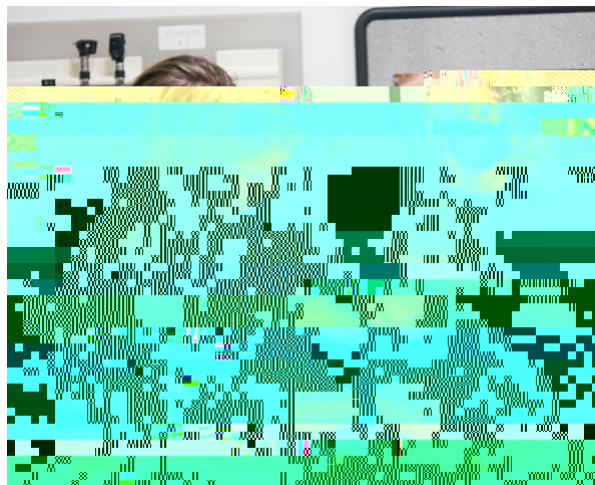
PASSHE Board of Governors. Trustee Danz participated in the first BOG meeting of his current term on July 11. This is the second time he has served on the BOG. Two decades ago, while Dr. Danz was a student at Millersville University, he was selected to serve as the BOG student representative. We appreciate his dedicated service to Millersville and the Commonwealth.

In this edition of the President's Update, I highlight information about a recent agreement with HACC to provide new opportunities for students to enter our highly successful RN to BSN program. The new Concurrent Enrollment Program will help accelerate a student's path to earning a BSN or even an MSN degree. Also, I am pleased to introduce you to our new student inductees into the Cygnus Society and offer congratulations to sophomore Kate Vossen and senior Evelyn Orłowski for their all-star presentation on their owl pellet findings at the Barn Owl Event at the University of Pennsylvania Veterinarian School. Finally, you can read about our new "Stop the Bleed" program, which helped earn Millersville University the 2024 Innovation Award for Safety Culture for a small school and the spring recap from campus recreation and club sports.

As we head into the final month of summer break, it is never too early to start making plans on your calendar to attend the EPPIC Weekend Celebration (August 22-25), the State of the 'Ville/Garden Summer (Sept. 6) and Homecoming Weekend (Sept. 20-22). We have so many wonderful events and activities to launch a great academic year.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

FROM RN TO BSN IN AS LITTLE AS 12 MONTHS



According to the Hospital and Health System Association of Pennsylvania, the state is predicted to face a shortage of over 20,000 nurses by 2026, the worst in the nation. However, [a new agreement between Millersville University and HACC](#), Central Pennsylvania's Community College, offers a promising solution for Central Pennsylvania. The Millersville/HACC Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Concurrent Enrollment Program was announced on June 12 on Millersville University's campus.

"This innovative partnership between Millersville University and HACC is a win-win for everyone," says Dr. Daniel A. Wubah, president of Millersville University. "It allows us to create a seamless pathway for students to pursue their nursing careers, meets our EPPIC value of serving the public, while addressing the critical need for more qualified nurses in our region."

"STOP THE BLEED" IMPLEMENTATION EARNS 2024 INNOVATION AWARD



In a mass casualty event, every second counts. When people are losing blood and may not make it to the hospital without immediate intervention, do you know what to do? Are you prepared to help save a life? Thanks to the Environmental Health and Safety Director Paul Hill, our campus has the tools and training to act swiftly in such emergencies. The "Stop the Bleed" program, a collaboration between Hill and the Wehrheim School of Nursing, helped earn Millersville University the 2024 Innovation Award for Safety Culture for a Small School.

The initiative equips students and staff with the essential skills to manage severe bleeding and potentially save lives. It includes installing "Stop the Bleed" kits across campus.

"This award represents a new culture of safety at Millersville University and evidence of the lengths to which we will go to not only treat significant injuries but also to evaluate the hazards present on our campus and take action to mitigate the potential for harm," says Hill.

The "Stop the Bleed" program aims to save lives by preventing significant blood loss after traumatic injuries. This initiative includes a comprehensive training program and the installation of bleeding control kits across campus, ensuring that students and staff are prepared to act swiftly in emergencies.

The "Stop the Bleed" campaign was initiated by a federal interagency workgroup convened by the National Security Council Staff. The campaign aims to enhance national resilience by preparing the public to save lives through awareness of basic actions to stop life-threatening bleeding following everyday emergencies and disasters. This initiative is informed by advances in military medicine and hemorrhage control research from the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, exemplifying the translation of battlefield knowledge to benefit the general public at home.

"I am hopeful that individuals on campus feel empowered to develop processes that improve the safety of their work areas and to contact EHS if concerned about safety, health and preparedness issues on campus," says Hill. Additional Stop the Bleed training classes are planned for the fall semester.

For more information, contact paul.hill@millersville.edu or EHS@millersville.edu.

MILLERSVILLE STUDENTS IMPRESS AT PENNVET PRESENTATION

Millersville University students sophomore Kate Vossen and senior Evelyn Orłowski wowed attendees with their all-star presentation on their findings during owl pellet dissection at the Barn Owl Event at the University of Pennsylvania Veterinarian School this spring. The PennVet professionals were impressed by their “depth of knowledge, engaging delivery, and the seamless flow of their presentation.” Their academic excellence and professional poise showcased the exceptional talent and dedication nurtured at MU.

Why was this project important to you?

Jackson Bell #1
Cole McCulley #11
Jacob Burke #14

Equestrian Club:

The equestrian club brought home two 1st place ribbons, one 2nd place ribbon, four 4th place ribbons, and two 5th place ribbons from the various shows they competed in this year.

Dance Team:

The dance team competed in the College Classic 2024 National Championship, placing 11th in the Division 2 Pom category and 8th in the Division 2 Jazz Category. This is the first time in the club's history that they have competed in the Division 2 Pom category.

Men's Volleyball Club:

The men's volleyball club competed and won the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Volleyball Conference (MACVC), making them the 2024 champions. This is the third time in the club's history that they have won the conference – they last won in 2002 and 2011.

Ultimate Frisbee (MOOSE):

The ultimate frisbee team competed in the High Tide Ultimate Tournament over Spring Break this year and placed 3rd overall. The team was placed in a bracket within the top 8 seeded teams. Their first game was against Northern Michigan, which was seeded 5th, which Millersville won 13-4. In the semifinals, they competed against the 1st seed, Division 1 Penn State. They lost with a score of 13-9, in which they secured 3rd place over 18 teams in the tournament.

Women's Soccer Club:

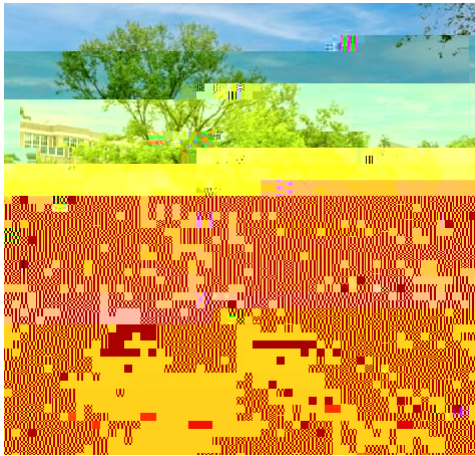
The women's soccer team competed in the NIRSA Championship Series. They qualified for their league's Regional Tournament and received a bid to the National Tournament. The team competed in the National Soccer Championships November 16–18, 2023, in Round Rock, Texas. This is the first time in the club's history that they have made it to this level of competition.

Women's Volleyball Club:

The women's volleyball team took home 1st place at the Northeast Women's Volleyball Club League Rowan Tournament at Rowan University. They finished second in the tournament with a score of 7-3. This is the first time in the club's history that they have achieved this ranking.

Club tennis and men's club soccer teams are coming to Millersville for the first time in the Fall 2024 semester! If you are interested, contact information can be [found here](#).

MU CONTINUES COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION



Earlier this year, State Senator Art Haywood and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission released a report on racial harassment at state schools. Haywood embarked on his “ENOUGH Listening Tour” from April 2022 to November 2023 to visit PASSHE Schools across the state, listening to students’ experiences and taking note of each school’s efforts to address racism and build up students of color.

In [Haywood’s report](#), Millersville University was noted for providing opportunities for students and staff to learn more about the University’s commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. The report also explains how Millersville University’s Office of Diversity and Inclusion is conducting research to create a comprehensive, long-term strategy for best supporting its marginalized students.

The University’s Chief Diversity Officer, Carlos Wiley, explains that the specific goals of this research are first to find out why students of color might leave Millersville or are successful at the University. “We’re also conducting an equity scorecard to see what inequities may be blocking students of color from being successful,” he adds. “Or, if students are successful, we’re hoping to discover how to upscale those things that are helping them.”

Wiley also notes that to meet student needs, the Intercultural Center is looking to expand its staff to further facilitate all departments on campus to work on their own plans for inclusive excellence. “This way, we can better serve and meet the needs of our students of color and all of our marginalized student populations.”

In addition to this research, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion ensures there are many opportunities to provide information to the community, including in-person and online workshops. Through the Intercultural Center, these workshops focus on four components: the art of listening, cultivating connection and belonging, dismantling our prejudices and building empathy and self-awareness. In the fall, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion will offer non-credited certificates related to these workshops.

The report also highlights the importance of having these conversations about diversity and inclusion in the classroom. “Students from different backgrounds can engage with students who may have differing beliefs and cultural practices that they can engage with. This will make our students better equipped to enter a diverse workforce,” Wiley adds.

“Through the research we’re doing, we will also get more in-depth information from students around their experiences with racial harassment or bigotry,” Wiley concludes. “We can then begin to build in some programs for events like orientations and EPPIIC Welcome Weekend, which will allow us to talk

to students about where they can report these things and what steps have already been taken for us to address them.”

Additionally, the Behavioral Intervention Team provides a [web form](#) for students to report harassment and discrimination, which Wiley notes helps the University respond to situations in real-time. The Team is designed to assist in situations where students, faculty or staff are displaying disruptive or threatening behaviors that potentially impede their own or others' ability to function successfully or safely.