



## ONU Students Study in South Korea



Eight undergraduate students from ONU have been selected for Hanyang University Summer Program Fellowships for 2009. These students are spending four weeks in summer studies at Hanyang University in South Korea, followed by a one-week trip to China.

Two students from each of the University's four undergraduate colleges have receiving fellowships for 2009. Selected from the College of Business Administration were Travis Edington, a sophomore in accounting from Thompson's Station, Tenn., and Chelsea Mack, a sophomore in international business and economics from South Euclid, Ohio.

Selected from the College of Arts & Sciences were Rachel Spence, a senior in international studies from Olmsted Falls, Ohio, and Sheila Willamowski, a senior in political science from Lima, Ohio.

Selected from the College of Engineering were Derek Schneider, a senior in computer science from Brunswick, Ohio, and Julia Tabaj, a senior in computer science from Twinsburg, Ohio.

Selected from the College of Pharmacy were Terry Lee, a fourth-year pharmacy student from Aurora, Ohio, and Brian Phillips, a fourth-year

pharmacy student from Pickerington, Ohio.

This is the third year of the exchange agreement between Hanyang University in Seoul, South Korea, and Ohio Northern. The fellowships include four weeks of summer study at Hanyang University, tuition, housing, excursion costs and an additional one-week trip to China, which includes stays in Xi'an and Beijing. Students also receive a stipend to apply toward the cost of airfare and participate in a number of orientation sessions at ONU to prepare for their travels.

As part of the exchange, four students from Hanyang University are expected to attend ONU for the 2009-10 academic year. In addition, ONU's Dr. David Smith, associate professor of geography, will teach a Model United Nations course at Hanyang University. Deanna Shine is the program coordinator for the Hanyang University Summer Program and exchange.

Follow blogs by Smith and the ONU students at <http://davidsmith844.blogspot.com> and <http://www-new.onu.edu/blogs/travel>

## ONU Announces Loan Provisions for the 403(b) Retirement Program

The University recognizes that members of the ONU family may be under a great deal of financial stress in the current economy. To help employees who are facing serious financial challenges, such as the potential loss of their home, the University announces a new program.

Effective immediately, **active employees** can access a portion of their vested 403(b) retirement account via a loan provision. The maximum number of loans available at any one time will be two, and at no time may the combined total of all loans exceed 45 percent of the employee's account. The University will re-examine the loan option in May, 2010, and may or may not continue the loan option after that date, says Dr. Robert Ruble, vice president for financial affairs

According to Ruble, borrowing from your retirement program

is something that **you should avoid** if at all possible. The 403(b) program is intended to provide income security for your retirement years, and borrowing from it now may reduce that future security. "We strongly encourage you to **exercise caution and use discretion before considering this loan option**. However, the loan option is available if you determine that it is the best choice for you," he said.

In order to access additional information and loan applications, employees must have an online account established with TIAA-CREF. To set up an account, visit [www.tiaa-cref.org](http://www.tiaa-cref.org). Once you have created the account, click on the tab "manage my portfolio." Here you will see Manage Loans or Apply for a New Loan. Click on either link and follow the directions. You may also speak with a TIAA advisor by calling 1-800-842-2252.



## Dean Fenton Appointed to Ohio Steel Council

Dr. James W. Fenton Jr., dean of the James F. Dicke College of Business Administration, has been appointed to the Ohio Steel Council.

Fenton's role on the Ohio Steel Council will be to represent institutions of higher education in Ohio, providing educational input and receiving steel industry practitioner input having to do with matters involving the steel industry, particularly in Ohio.

He will complete the current term, which ends Sept. 17, and fill a three-year term beginning Sept. 18.

The Ohio Steel Council is a public-private partnership designed to strengthen ties among the steel industry, the state of Ohio and its citizens. It was instituted by the Ohio General Assembly in 1990 for the purpose of maintaining a competitive steel industry in Ohio and ensuring the state's economic well-being.

Council members meet quarterly to discuss improvements that can be made and are being made at steel plants in Ohio.

## SME Honors Nutter

Paul Nutter, associate professor of technology, has been awarded the Society of Manufacturing Engineer's (SME) Award of Merit.

The SME Award of Merit has been a tradition since 1958 and honors chapter members who have made valued and balanced contributions to the society's professional activities, growth and to manufacturing overall.

Nutter serves as a faculty advisor of SME Student Chapter S186 at ONU. He received his award from SME President Rick Shoemaker at the SME Annual Conference in Philadelphia in June.

Nutter was honored for his loyal service to SME and his dedication as an inspiring educator. Within SME, he has, among other duties, recruited new members, led technical communities and a number of membership committees.

Prior to his arrival at Ohio Northern, Nutter gained 26 years of manufacturing and industrial engineering experience, primarily with Rockwell Automotive.

SME is the premier source for manufacturing knowledge, education and networking. Through its many programs, events and activities, SME connects manufacturing practitioners to each other, to the latest technology and to the most up-to-date processes, spanning all manufacturing industries and disciplines, including the key areas of aerospace and defense, medical device, motor vehicles, motorsports, and oil and gas.

## Grants Received

Dr. Jed Marquart, professor of mechanical engineering, has received research grants totaling \$9,609 from Teton Aircraft Design of Reynoldsburg, Ohio, (\$6,609) and The Ohio Space Grant Consortium (\$3,000). A junior mechanical engineering student, David Walters, from Circleville, Ohio, will be working with Marquart during the summer

to aid Teton with the analysis and design of their new Light Sport Aircraft (LSA). They will be performing finite element and computational fluid dynamics analyses to support the design of the aircraft.

Thanks to the effort of Catriona Macphie-Hynds, managing director and development officer, the Freed Center has received the following three grants:

A \$3,500 grant from Arts Midwest will support the performance of the African Children's Choir at the Freed Center in April, 2010. The mission of Arts Midwest is to connect people throughout the Midwest and the world to meaningful arts opportunities, sharing creativity, knowledge and understanding across boundaries. They have supported several programs at the Freed Center in the past.

A \$11,301 sustainability grant from the Ohio Arts Council for 2009-10 will be used to assist the Freed Center in providing professional arts experiences to Ohio Northern students and area residents.

A \$500 grant from the National Collegiate Athletic Association will go toward the performance of *You the Man* at the Freed Center. The play focuses on domestic abuse, dating violence and unhealthy relationships.

## Federal Grant Benefits Pharmacy Students

ONU has received a Health Professions Scholarship for Disadvantaged Students grant of \$53,787, funded by the Bureau of Health and Human Services.

The program is designed for students majoring in a variety of health professions. Pharmacy is the only ONU major to qualify for the grant.

In the application for the funds, The Office of Admissions was required to demonstrate how many "economic and environmental disadvantaged" students were in the pharmacy program for the previous year. The funds will be used to help offset financial aid expenses for pharmacy students who meet income guidelines.

## Photography Honored

Ken Colwell, associate director of web design, has been honored by the University Photographers' Association of America.

His image, "Country Road Sunshine," received second place in the September, 2008, personal vision competition. To see the entry, go to: [http://www.upaa.org/winners2008\\_10.php](http://www.upaa.org/winners2008_10.php)

# Guidance Counselors Tour ONU

Twenty-three high school guidance counselors from Ohio and Indiana toured ONU on June 25. On the three-day bus tour, counselors visited a two-year college, two public universities and three private universities to learn about their programs and meet faculty, staff and students.

Dr. Kendall L. Baker, Ohio Northern University president, below, welcomed the group for lunch at the Wishing Well, followed by tours and information sessions with Office of Admissions staff and students.



Vice President and Dean of Enrollment Karen Condemi, left, talks with guidance counselors about the programs ONU offers.

## Grant Funds Multicultural Diversity Initiative

Ohio Northern has received a \$14,453 grant from the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges (OFIC) to support Catch-A-Ride, a minority recruitment program aimed at broadening the scope of the University's student diversity.

This is the third consecutive year that ONU has received an OFIC grant. For the past two years, ONU has used the grant for Vision Builders, a mentorship program that partnered Ohio Northern students with high school students from Lima Senior High School. This year, Crys Latham, ONU admissions counselor and coordinator of multicultural recruitment, will use the grant to direct Catch-A-Ride.

Catch-A-Ride will work with high schools in major cities throughout Ohio, including Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Dayton, to provide transportation for interested students to experience a day at ONU. The trips will be open to students at a

variety of high schools, with space available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Participating students, along with their chaperones, will meet and board the ONU bus at a central meeting point in each city. On the bus, students will engage with ONU students and staff members from the University. Once at ONU, the students will attend a class, tour the campus and the multicultural house, have lunch in the dining hall with current students, and interact with a panel of college deans and current students.

"We have a lot to offer at Ohio Northern," said Latham, "and we want to give students the opportunity to visit."

Catch-A-Ride visits will be scheduled for late September and throughout the month of October, allowing sufficient time for students to submit their applications by the ONU scholarship deadline.

# Greavu Installs Two Bronze Sculptures

This spring, two new outdoor sculptures created by retired ONU professor Judith Greavu were installed for the Midwest Sculpture Initiative (MSI).

MSI, founded in 2004 by artist Ken Thompson, was formed to provide innovative exhibitions that feature outdoor sculpture. MSI's mission was to provide outdoor sculpture exhibitions throughout the Midwest, promote cooperation among art and civic organizations, advance the role that the visual arts play in the quality of life and increase economic development.



On the first exhibition site, the University of Toledo, Greavu was selected for the fourth annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition. Her "Bird of Paradise" (bronze, 13'6 x 3'3'), is located outside Rocket Hall. According to Greavu, this sculpture is an organic form that emphasizes energy and power. The sculpture will remain on display for one year.

Another of Greavu's sculptures was selected for display at Owens Community College. The outdoor sculpture exhibit at Owens in Toledo had such a positive response that Owens decided to hold the entire show over for another year. The work will remain on campus through May 2010.

Greavu's sculpture, "Arts Spirit" (bronze, 7'x3'x3'), is located near the campus gallery, north of the fine and performing arts center.

All the sculptures, including Greavu's two outdoor sculptures, are on loan by the artists. After the exhibition season is over, the sculptures can be purchased to remain on site or be relocated.

## Law School Computing

Larry Baumgardner, technology support technician, and Jay Brake, associate systems director of information technology, presented a program at the 19th Annual Conference for Law School Computing at the University of Colorado Law School in Boulder, Colo., on June 19.

Their presentation on "Thin Client Computing for Law Labs" discussed implementation of a "thin client" system utilizing WYSE terminals in the law library computer lab at the Pettit College of Law. This system was designed to improve performance while reducing costs through fewer hardware requirements, greener technology and less need for technical support.

The Conference on Law School Computing, sponsored by the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), seeks to network and educate law faculty and staff on the latest developments in the use of technology in legal education. This year's conference focused on how law schools can use technology to thrive even in tough economic times.

## Coming Events

- July 11 Second session of summer classes begins
- July 13 The James F. Dicke College of Business Administration Scholarship Golf Outing
- July 16-23 School of Christian Mission
- July 25 ONU Day at Cedar Point
- July 26-29 Camp G.E.M.S.
- July 27 Third session of summer classes begins
- Aug. 7 Summer Open House
- Aug. 24 Law classes begin